BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
3 9999 06307 702 6

GOV DOC
HB3527
B7027
1985

BOSTON
PUBLIC
LIBRARY

Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2013

http://archive.org/details/diversitychangei00bost

169

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS DEPARTMENT
RECEIVED
FEB 7 2000

DIVERSITY AND CHANGE IN BOSTON'S NEIGHBORHOODS

A COMPARISON OF DEMOGRAPHIC • SOCIAL • AND ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS OF POPULATION AND HOUSING • 1970-1980

c. 2

GOVDOC
HB3527
.B7027
1985x

OSTON
L FLYNN, MAYOR

Boston Redevelopment Authority
Stephen Coyle, Director

October '85

DIVERSITY AND CHANGE IN BOSTON'S NEIGHBORHOODS: A COMPARISON OF DEMOGRAPHIC, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS OF POPULATION AND HOUSING, 1970-1980

Margaret C. O'Brien

Boston Redevelopment Authority
Research Department

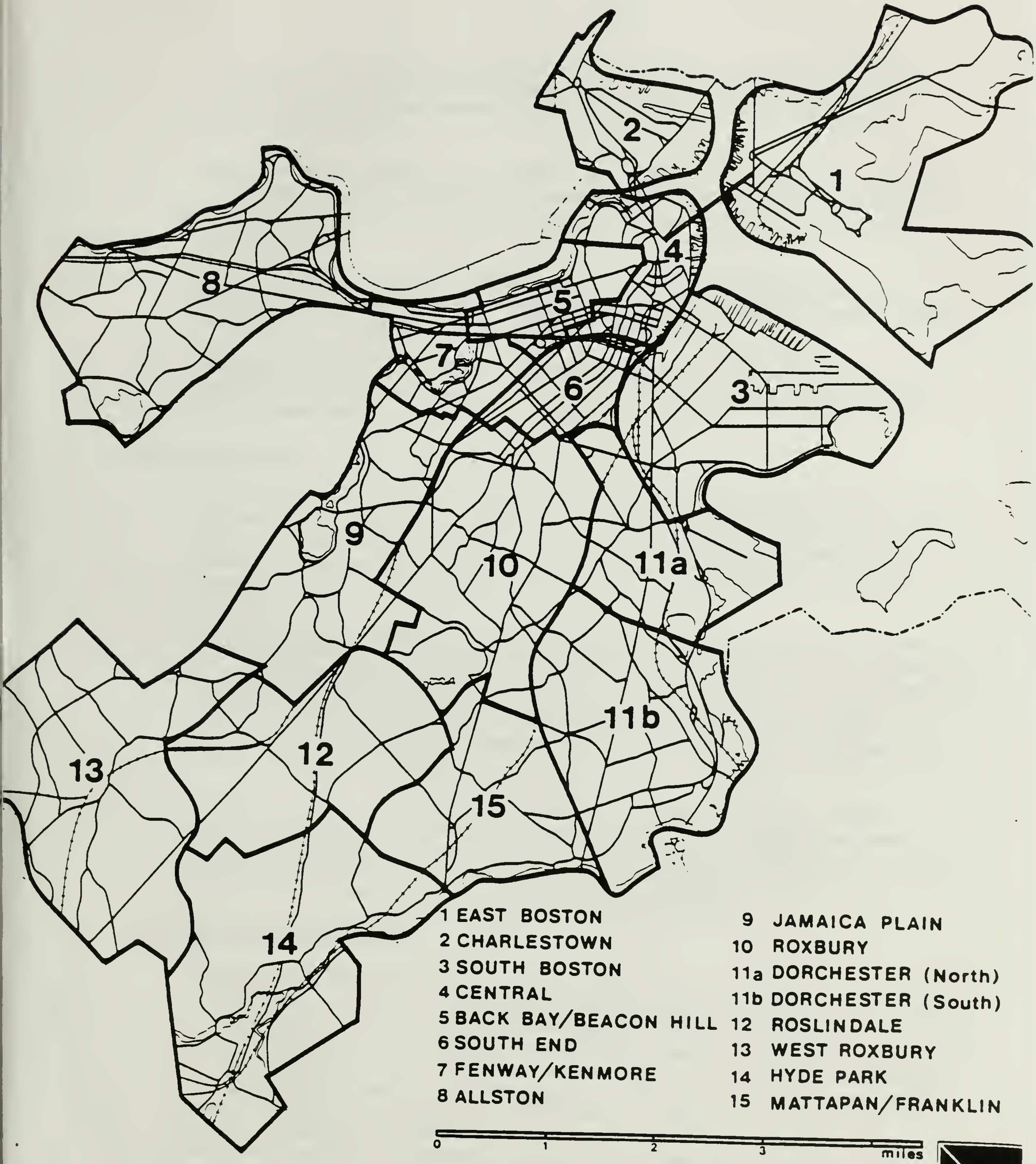
October 1985

Raymond L. Flynn, Mayor
City of Boston

Stephen Coyle, Director
Boston Redevelopment Authority

Alexander Ganz
Research Director

Board Members
Robert L. Farrell, Chairman
Joseph J. Walsh, Vice-Chairman
James K. Flaherty, Treasurer
Clarence J. Jones, Asst. Treasurer
Michael F. Donlan, Member
Kane Simonian, Secretary



1 EAST BOSTON
2 CHARLESTOWN
3 SOUTH BOSTON
4 CENTRAL
5 BACK BAY/BEACON HILL
6 SOUTH END
7 FENWAY/KENMORE
8 ALLSTON
9 JAMAICA PLAIN
10 ROXBURY
11a DORCHESTER (North)
11b DORCHESTER (South)
12 ROSLINDALE
13 WEST ROXBURY
14 HYDE PARK
15 MATTAPAN/FRANKLIN

PLANNING DISTRICTS

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Highlights

- Planning districts located closest to downtown Boston, with a high proportion of young adults, gained population, while other areas of the City lost population between 1970 and 1980 for a net decline of (562,994) for Boston.

- With a stable number of households and persons in group quarters, the 13 percent loss in persons per household (to 2.4) in 1980 accounted for the overall population loss. Household size shrank in almost all neighborhoods.

- Boston's shifts in age distribution and in household composition paralleled nationwide trends toward increasing numbers of young adults and smaller, increasingly nonfamily households.

- Although females continued to outnumber males, the ratio of males to females increased during the 1970s largely due to the influx of males into predominantly young-adult neighborhoods.

Age Composition

- Boston's population was younger and had "aged less slowly" than that of the Boston metropolitan area and the United States as a whole. Boston's lower 1980 median age of 28.9 years was influenced by significant numbers of students, young adults and minority families balanced by areas of older, largely white residents.

- In 1980, the age composition of Boston's population centered on the 20-34 year-old age groups which contained one-in-three persons compared to one-in-four persons in 1970. All other age groups, whether older or younger, shrank as a proportion of the total except the 15-19 year and 75 and older age groups. The largest shrinkage, 37 percent, occurred in the 0-14 age group because of declines in births and net outmigration of children.

- In general, most neighborhoods followed the same citywide 1970-80 pattern of gains for those 20-34 years and those 75 years and over, and of loss among those under 20 and those aged 35-74. However, there were notable divergences in these trends for some neighborhoods and in their initial (1970) and final (1980) age distributions.

Race and Ethnic Composition

- During the 1970-1980 decade, the proportion of whites declined from 82 to 70 percent of Boston's population while that of blacks increased to 22 percent, Asians to 3 percent and other races to 5 percent of the total. Growth in "other races" reflected selection by hispanics in 1980 of that category rather than the white or black categories, especially in Jamaica Plain and North Dorchester. While all neighborhoods had a lower proportion of whites in 1980 than in 1970, the ordering of neighborhoods with regard to proportion of whites and nonwhites was relatively stable. A notable exception was Hyde Park, with a growth in the proportion of blacks. Large increases in blacks occurred in

Mattapan. The Asian population of Central and Allston-Brighton also increased rapidly.

- The self-reported hispanic population of Boston doubled to some 36,000 during the 1970-1980 decade, with all neighborhoods except South Boston showing some increase. The largest enclaves of hispanics were located in Roxbury and Jamaica Plain in both censuses.

- Four percent of Boston's population spoke English either not well or no at all. Of these, a high proportion spoke Asian languages or Spanish.

Household Composition

- During the 1970s, the composition of households in Boston changed substantially. Family households declined from 65 to 53 percent of households, an 18 percent drop in numbers. Nonfamily households (individuals living alone or with other unrelated individuals) increase complementarily from 35 to 47 percent of Boston households, an increase of one-third, to over 102,000 households out of the over 218,000 total.

- Within the family category, married couples with and without children declined by 28 percent to one-third of Boston's households. Married couples with children declined by 35 percent to 34,000 households (15 percent of the total). Other family households, those lacking a marrie couple, comprised 20 percent of Boston households in 1980. Within this group, female-headed households with children under 18 years made up 10 percent of all Boston households and 38 percent of all families with children under 18 in Boston, compared to 23 percent in 1970.

- In 1980, 37 percent of Boston households contained only one person compared to 29 percent in 1970. Twenty-one percent contained a single female. One-in-ten contained two or more roommates.

- The mix of family and nonfamily households varied by neighborhood. In Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Fenway-Kenmore where young adults predominated, fewer than 20 percent were families. The proportion of family households was below 40 percent for Central, South End and Allston-Brighton. The proportion was between 50 and 60 percent in Charlestown, South Boston, and Jamaica Plain. Families comprised close to two-thirds or more of the households in the remaining neighborhoods. The proportion of non-family households complemented these numbers.

- All neighborhoods had a growth in nonfamily households and a decline in family households between 1970 and 1980.

- The proportion of households occupied by elderly living alone has remained stable at just over 10 percent of the total, while there was a decline of 10,000, or 13 percent, in the number of Boston's elderly residents during the 1970 decade.

Educational Attainment

- Between 1970 and 1980, the proportion of Boston residents who had completed four years of college or more doubled to 20 percent, while the fraction of those with at least some college education grew from one-in-five to one-in-three. Great disparities in educational attainment existed between the neighborhoods. Back Bay-Beacon Hill residents tended to have the highest educational attainment, while East Boston and Roxbury had the lowest.

Labor Force

- Civilian labor force participation rose to 60 percent in 1980 because an increase in female participation, from 48 to 53 percent, more than offset the slackening of male participation from 72 to 69 percent. The highest participation rates, about 70 percent, were recorded for Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Central. Also, residents of twelve out of the sixteen neighborhoods had higher participation rates in 1980 than in 1970. Participation rates declined in East Boston, South Boston, Roxbury and Roslindale.

- Among Boston families, one-in-five had two wage earners, one-in-three had one wage earner, and one-in-two had no wage earner. Two-worker families were prevalent in neighborhoods of higher socio-economic status. The proportion of families without workers was high in areas with large numbers of students, retirees, less educated residents and minorities. These neighborhoods also had low labor force participation rates and higher than average unemployment rates.

- During the 1970s, a substantial shift occurred among the industrial sectors of employment. The largest gain, some 30 percent, occurred in employment in education, followed by a 20 percent gain in professional, related, and health services. By 1980, 46 percent of Boston's workers were employed in finance, business and professional services industries of all kinds compared to 38 percent in 1970. In most neighborhoods, the proportions employed in the various industries tended to follow the citywide average with some disparities.

- A shift in the occupational structure of Boston's workforce paralleled the industrial trend. Workers in professional, technical and managerial occupations grew by 30 percent to 78,000, or over 30 percent of the 256,000 total workers in 1980. Changes in the occupational distribution in the neighborhoods have paralleled those of Boston with some being more dramatic and some more gradual.

- In 1979, 58 percent of Boston residents were employed full time, year round. The larger-than-expected residual was attributable to areas with students and minorities, especially hispanics, where part-time employment and unemployment rates tended to be higher.

Location of Work

- Three-fourths of Boston resident workers were employed in the City while one-fourth worked outside. These proportions varied among the neighborhoods ranging from over 80 percent of South Boston and Roxbury workers to only two-thirds of West Roxbury and Hyde Park workers employed in Boston.

Income

- Household, family and unrelated individual income increased substantially during the 1970-1980 decade to $12,530, $16,062 and $5,877, respectively. However, the increases in all three measures lagged behind the increases shown for the Boston metropolitan area and did not match the rate of inflation.

- The planning districts with the highest median household incomes in 1980 were, in order, West Roxbury, Hyde Park, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Roslindale and Central. While these neighborhoods have sizable proportions in the income ranges under $5,000 and $10,000-$19,999, they were distinguished by a substantial proportion in the $20,000-$39,999 range within the suburbanlike neighborhoods, or by a relatively high proportion in the category earning $50,000 or more in Central and Back Bay-Beacon Hill.

- Fenway-Kenmore and Roxbury had the lowest median household incomes in 1980. Fenway-Kenmore had the lowest median unrelated individual income while Roxbury had the lowest median family income.

- The neighborhoods with the highest proportions of families in poverty were Roxbury (30 percent), North Dorchester (24 percent), and Jamaica Plain (22 percent). High proportions in poverty were related to both low family income and high proportions of female-headed families with children.

- The highest proportions of unrelated individuals in poverty were found in Fenway-Kenmore (41 percent) and Allston-Brighton (32 percent), reflective of large student populations living in and outside of dormitories.

Housing

- Increases in the number of housing units and households occurred in South End, Allston-Brighton, Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, West Roxbury, and Charlestown. Large losses of each occurred in Mattapan, Roxbury, North Dorchester, and South Dorchester.

- In both 1970 and 1980, 27 percent of Boston's households were owner-occupied while 73 percent were renter-occupied. The highest proportions of renter households continued to be in Fenway-Kenmore, Central, South End, Allston-Brighton and Back Bay-Beacon Hill. Those with the lowest proportions of renters continued to be West Roxbury, Hyde Park, and Roslindale with their high proportion of single-family homes.

- In 1980, Boston's mean household size was 2.40 persons, down from 2.76 persons per unit in 1970. Declines for the neighborhoods are directly related to average household size in 1970. By 1980, the smallest average household sizes were found in Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Fenway-Kenmore, while the largest were in North and South Dorchester, Roslindale and Hyde Park.

- The median value of owner-occupied non-condominium units declined by 5 percent when measured in constant 1980 dollars. Inflation-adjusted housing values leaped upward over 50 percent in South End, Fenway-Kenmore and Charlestown, where gentrification has been taking place. North and South Dorchester, Mattapan and Hyde Park had larger-than-average declines in values.

- Between 1970 and 1980, median contract rent in Boston was essentially stable, rising by only one-half percent. Larger increases took place in Charlestown and Fenway-Kenmore, whereas declines occurred in the other planning districts.

Mobility

- Boston residents in 1980 were more mobile than both Boston residents in 1970 and Massachusetts residents in 1980. The most mobile residents, measured by a change from where they had lived five years earlier, were found in Fenway-Kenmore, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Allston-Brighton, Central and South End. In contrast, East Boston, Charlestown, South Boston, Roslindale, West Roxbury and Hyde Park residents were least mobile.

- Over one-quarter of Boston households moved into their dwelling units in the year and a quarter preceding the 1980 census, and over half did so in the five years preceding the census. For Massachusetts the comparable proportions were 8 percent and 28 percent. Boston's mobility was due to the 73 percent rental households as well as the significant role of students and young adults in Boston's population. Among Fenway-Kenmore residents, 50 percent had moved in during the year and a quarter before 1980. The proportion was over 30 percent for the young adult areas of Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Allston-Brighton, South End and Central. Roslindale, West Roxbury and Hyde Park contained the lowest proportion of households that had recently moved.

Neighborhood Profiles - A Thumbnail Sketch

Boston and its neighborhoods today are extraordinarily complex, combining the descendants of 19th and early 20th century immigrants, a small old and new gentry, college students in large numbers, a new influx of young adults, largely professional and middle class, and the more recent growth and entry of black, hispanic and Asian populations. While the body of this report presents the detail and substance of the diversity of Boston's neighborhoods up to 1980, the following pages provide a summary portrait of their characteristics. These highlight similarities and differences in age, composition, ethnicity, household composition, income levels, occupation, and mobility. The thumbnail sketches introduce the more extensive analysis in the pages which follow, and serve as a preliminary guide to the story of Boston's neighborhoods.

South Boston, East Boston, Charlestown

As of 1980, South Boston, East Boston and Charlestown are neighborhoods with older, white residents living in traditional family arrangements and ethnic enclaves. The population under fifteen years old has declined, while persons over 55 are a rising proportion. About 60 percent of East Boston residents have Italian ancestry and 60 percent of Charlestown and South Boston residents are of Irish ancestry. A good majority of the households are families, belieing the national and Boston trend toward smaller, nonfamily households, i.e., one person, or two or more unrelated persons sharing a residence. Moreover, among nonfamily households, in these neighborhoods, a significant proportion are elderly singles, mostly widows and widowers. Residents of these three neighborhoods have lower levels of educational attainment, occupational skills, and income (excepting Charlestown) than the average Bostonian. East Boston and South Boston have the lowest proportions of college graduates of all neighborhoods among the population 25 years and older, 5 and 7 percent, respectively. More than 50 percent of East Boston adults have not graduated from high school.

The effect of gentrification on Charlestown is seen in the closer-to-city-average educational attainment, occupational distribution, and above average median income.

Residents of South Boston, East Boston and Charlestown are citizens of longer standing, with a smaller-than-city-average share having moved recently or having moved into Boston from the outside.

Roslindale, West Roxbury, Hyde Park

Roslindale, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park are also neighborhoods with residents of longer standing, lower mobility, high median ages and higher proportions of elderly. Residents are largely white, with a small but growing minority population. These neighborhoods differ from the previous grouping because they resemble suburban towns where residents are primarily in families, have higher incomes, greater educational attainment, more professional occupations, and therefore, reflect strong, middle-class, traditional values. Family households are dominant with a large proportion of husband-wife families. These three neighborhoods are among the four with the highest incomes in Boston. Educational levels are average or above, while there has been a gradual transformation of the occupational structure between 1970 and 1980.

Fenway-Kenmore

Fenway-Kenmore is unique among Boston neighborhoods because of the concentration of university students and young adults here. Over 80 percent of its population in 1980 is young adult: 27 percent is 15-19 years old, 38 percent is between 20-24, and 16 percent is 25-34. This leaves only 20 percent of the population to be distributed over all the ages under 15 and 35 and over. Some 13,000 persons out of a 31,000-person total live in college dormitories and other group quarters. The households occupied by the remainder of the population are 84 percent nonfamily, with high proportions of singles and roommates. Educational and occupational achievement levels are high, with 85 percent of adults 25 years and older being high school graduates, 41 percent college graduates, and 37 percent of workers employed in professional, technical and managerial occupations. Yet, household incomes are the lowest in Boston and residential turnover the highest by far, reflecting the presence of students.

Allston-Brighton

Allston-Brighton shares some of Fenway-Kenmore's characteristics: it has become an area of young adults, with half its population aged between 20-34 years in 1980. While it houses some 5,700 persons, mostly students, in group quarters, the young adults tend to be older and working. Again, high educational attainment and occupational skills prevail, as does high mobility, all characteristic of Boston's young adults. Two-thirds of the households are nonfamily, both singles and roommates. Minorities form small proportions, with Asians making up the largest minority group (some 3,000 persons). Household income is average for the City, because of above-average family income and below-average income of unrelated individuals. Allston-Brighton is one of Boston's growing neighborhoods.

Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill

The Central area and Back Bay-Beacon Hill neighborhoods share several characteristics, including population growth during the 1970s. They are increasingly populated by young to middle-aged adults who are well educated, employed in high-level positions, and have high incomes. They are also extremely mobile reflecting a preponderance of young, nonfamily households.

Back Bay-Beacon Hill is an archetypal young professional neighborhood having many smaller households, two-worker families, young, mobile and professionally employed residents, and higher incomes.

While a high proportion of Central area residents share these characteristics, the area is more diverse. There are older adults as well as young ones. Chinatown is home to more than 3,000 people of Asian origin. Nearly 40 percent of households contain families. These characteristics reflect a more traditional, less affluent ethnic presence which gives the Central area residents a different dimension.

South End

South End is one of Boston's growth neighborhoods with two distinct types of population. There is a growing concentration of young to middle-aged adults, with high levels of educational attainment and occupational skills, resembling that of the Central and Back Bay-Beacon Hill neighborhoods. South End is also home to an expanding black, hispanic, and Asian minority population with a more traditional household structure and lower income. Forty percent of the population is white, 40 percent is black, with Asian and hispanic communities of over 3,000 persons each, together making up 20 percent of the total. Families make up 40 percent of all households. Of the families with children under 18 years, 46 percent are headed by single women. While incomes here have risen faster than those for Boston as a whole during the 1970s, the median family income is below the citywide median. The South End is one of Boston's most racially, ethnically, and economically diverse neighborhoods.

Jamaica Plain

Jamaica Plain, like the South End, is a neighborhood of whites and minorities, including blacks and hispanics. The age distribution is distinct with a higher proportion of children and elderly than in most Boston neighborhoods. The white population makes up 63 percent and blacks 20 percent of the total population. Nearly 7,800 persons or 20 percent are of hispanic origin forming the largest hispanic community in Boston. Over half the households are families. However, female-headed families with children comprise 46 percent of families with children, and 14 percent of all households. The educational attainment, occupational distribution, and incomes of nonfamily households are close to the Boston average, while median family income is below the Boston average in 1980.

Roxbury, Mattapan

Roxbury and Mattapan have predominantly black populations (close to 80 percent) and large proportions of families with children. Some 7,700 or 13 percent of Roxbury's residents are of hispanic origin, making it the second largest hispanic community among the neighborhoods in 1980. Both have high percentages of children, teenagers and young adults. Nearly two-thirds of Roxbury households and nearly three-fourths of Mattapan households are families. Female-headed families in Roxbury make up 42 percent of all families and 60 percent of all families with children. For Mattapan, the comparable proportions are 32 percent and 47 percent, respectively.

However, the two areas have fared differently economically. Mattapan's median household income is above average while Roxbury's is the lowest among Boston's neighborhoods, with the exception of Fenway-Kenmore. Mattapan residents tend to hold somewhat higher-skilled jobs and some two-thirds of the residents are high school graduates. In Roxbury, about 55 percent of the adults are high school graduates, unemployment rates are high, labor-force participation is lower, and there is a greater concentration of the less-skilled occupations.

North Dorchester, South Dorchester

North and South Dorchester are both approximately two-thirds white. The minority population is concentrated in the western portion of both neighborhoods. South Dorchester has more than twice the population of its northern neighbor. The median age of both neighborhoods approximates that of the City--29 years. Both neighborhoods have relatively high proportions of 15-19 year-olds, have gained in numbers of young adults under 35, and have lost population in the older age-groups during the 1970s. This is reflected in their loss of 40 percent of the white population during the decade. Despite these losses, South Dorchester still has the largest number of white residents of any planning district. The black and hispanic populations in South Dorchester have increased rapidly. Both Dorchesters now house more than 3,000 hispanics.

Both neighborhoods have above average proportions of family households. Two-thirds of all households contain families, about 40 percent are made up of married couples, and almost 40 percent are families with children. Of the families with children, over 35 percent are headed by single women.

South Dorchester has a higher level of economic well-being than the city overall. South Dorchester has higher proportions of high school graduates and professional and related workers. North Dorchester ranks somewhat below the average, in terms of household and family income.

Acknowledgements

This comparison of 1970 and 1980 Census data for neighborhoods was made possible by the extensive work of Richard O'Hara, Anne Hafrey and Susan Jaster of the Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department in compiling the data into the large number of tables contained in this report. Thanks is also due to Jeffrey Brown, Gregory Perkins and John Avault for their comments and suggestions. Susan Jaster has also offered helpful suggestions. Alex Ganz, Research Department Director, has guided census data acquisition and has requested this compilation.

Acknowledgement is also due to those who have investigated the problem of U.S. Census date sets that do not give precisely the same numbers for a given geographic area, including Greg Perkins, John Avault and Richard Ning of the Boston Regional Office, U.S. Bureau of the Census. The census numbers used in this report are drawn largely from Summary Tape File 3 data, which are sample data aggregated from the block group level to planning districts. These data are subject to suppression for small groups at the block group level to maintain confidentiality of respondents and to a statistical algorithm for inflating the sample to a 100 percent count. Summary Tape File 1 data are subject to block group level suppression but not to the inflation algorithm because STF 1 is complete (100%) count rather than sample data. Neighborhood Statistics Program (NSP) data are subject to suppression at the larger neighborhood area and to the inflation algorithm to the extent that they are based on sample rather than 100 percent counts. These differences in the way the various data sets are compiled from the 1980 U.S. Census account for discrepancies in the numbers reported herein.

Table of Contents

Page

Map

Highlights i

Neighborhood Profiles - A Thumbnail Sketch vi

Acknowledgements x

I. Introduction 1

II. Demographic Characteristics 4
- Population Growth and Decline 5
- Sex Ratios 6
- Median Age 7
- Age Distribution 8
- Racial Composition 12
- Language Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English 15
- Ancestry 16
- Marital Status 18
- Household Relationship 18
- Household Composition 20

- Tables 1-51 27

III. Labor Force 88
- Education 89
- Participation, Employment, Unemployment, Workers per Family 91
- Industry 95
- Occupation 96
- Full-Time and Part-Time Employment 98
- Place of Work 100
- Travel Time to Work 101
- Transportation to Work 102

- Tables 52-87 103

IV. Income 141
- Household Income 142
- Income of Unrelated Individuals 144
- Family Income 145
- Family Income by Race and Spanish Origin 146
- Poverty 147
- Type of Income 149

- Tables 88-111 151

V. Housing 175
  Number of Housing Units in Structure 176
  Vacancy Rates and Households 178
  Tenure 180
  Household Size 180
  Median Value of Owner-Occupied Non-Condominium Units 181
  Median Contract Rent 181
  Contract Rent 182
  Race and Hispanic Origin of Households 182
  Characteristics of Housing Units by Race and Hispanic Origin of Household Head 183
    Tenure 183
    Overcrowding 183
    Gross Rent 184

  Tables 112-139 186

VI. Residential Mobility 216
  Five-Year Residential Mobility 217
  Year Householder Moved into Dwelling 218

  Tables 140-142 220

VII. Prologue to the 1980s 223
  Closing 224

Appendix: Poverty Status Definition 226

I. Introduction

The decade of the 1970s was a time of significant change in the City of Boston and its neighborhoods. While the number of housing units in Boston was stable, its population declined indicating a decrease in average household size. However, underlying these citywide trends were different patterns of stability and change in the sixteen neighborhoods that compose Boston. Indeed the 1970-1980 decade has brought a transformation of the population of the Cit and many of its neighborhoods with regard to total numbers, race and ethnicity and social and economic characteristics.

This report, based on data from the 1970 and 1980 U.S. Census of Population and Housing, provides an overview of trends in the neighborhoods during the last decade. These neighborhoods are the Boston Redevelopment Authority planning districts used during the 1970s. Comparisons with the city as a whole are also provided. Subject matter includes population change, age, race, hispanic origin, ethnic heritage, marital status, family relationship, household composition, labor force status, occupation, industry, commute to work, income, poverty status, housing, and mobility. Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department reports that analyze some of these topics in depth are noted in the text. This report is largely descriptive rather than analytical, but it highlights for the reader neighborhoods in which noteworthy change occurred, how this change compared to citywide trends, and some of the reasons behind the changes observed.

The most important changes between 1970 and 1980 were several related citywide shifts. These included a large increase in the number of young, working-age persons; more nonfamily households; a dramatic increase in educational attainment; and a labor force in which the typical worker held a professional, technical or managerial occupation and worked in the financial and professional services industries. All the neighborhoods shared in these shifts to a greater or lesser extent. Growing numbers of minorities also have been a strong force in determining the social and economic character of several neighborhoods. At the same time, the presence of some 20,000 students in Boston has continued to shape the social and economic character of a few neighborhoods. These citywide shifts have paved the way for the population changes of the 1980s, which include overall population growth and further changes in characteristics.

II. Demographic Characteristics

Population Growth and Decline

Between 1970 and 1980, Boston's population declined by 12 percent to 562,994 persons. Two-thirds, or 12 of Boston's 16 neighborhoods also experienced declines, as seen in Table 1. North Dorchester, Mattapan, and South Dorchester had declines of 20 percent or more. Above average losses also occurred in East Boston, Charlestown, South Boston, Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, and Roslindale. Below average losses were seen in Fenway-Kenmore, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park. On the other hand, several neighborhoods gained population, i.e., South End (18.7 percent), Back Bay-Beacon Hill (9.4 percent), Central (6.6 percent), and Allston-Brighton (2.5 percent). Therefore, Boston's neighborhoods showed a wide range of population gain and loss. Losses occurred in most of the traditional neighborhoods while gains were shown by neighborhoods with large numbers of young adults and significant numbers of new and converted housing units.

Table 2 indicates the population living in households, i.e. occupied housing units, and group quarters, such as college dormitories and fraternities, nursing schools, orphanages, convents, penal institutions, and nursing homes. In most neighborhoods, the population in group quarters is small. However, it is large in areas with many students such as Fenway-Kenmore (13,052), Allston-Brighton (5,662), and Back Bay-Beacon Hill (5,354). The number of persons living in group quarters is essentially unchanged since 1970.

While the number of households was roughly stable between 1970 and 1980, the average number of persons living in households declined by 13 percent to 2.4 persons per household. This decline in household size is the source of Boston's population loss. Table 3 shows that household size declined in every neighborhood except Fenway-Kenmore. In addition, only minimal declines occurred in Back Bay-Beacon Hill and South End. Other neighborhoods had considerable shrinkage in household size due to a variety of reasons; including a larger number of elderly and young adults living alone, an increase in non-family households, increasing divorce rates, and fewer births and children in families. These trends are discussed further in the sections about age distribution, household relationship, and household composition.

Sex Ratios

During the 1970-1980 decade, Boston's sex ratio increased to 89 males per 100 females from the 85 to 100 ratio of 1970. This was a significant change when compared to the national sex ratio trend which declined from 94.8 to 94.5 males per 100 females. The small national decline resulted from the greater increased life expectancy for women than for men being partially offset by improved census counts of males in 1980 compared to 1970, especially young adult, minority males.

A number of factors have contributed to Boston's increasing sex ratio including better census counting in 1980 and a relatively young age distribution, with a decline in the numbers and percentage of elderly.

However, when Table 4 is compared to Table 5, the relationship between increasing sex ratios and changes in median age is not very close. Instead the explanation rests with the tendency of relatively more males in the ages from 15 to 64 to live in Boston. Indeed, it is the dramatic increase in the numbers of males in the 20-34 age group which is the linchpin of this change. Young males increased by over 20,000 compared to an increase of less than 12,000 increase for females in these age groups. This trend is related to the change in lifestyles among young adults for whom marriage, childbearing, and moves to the suburbs are lower priorities than they were in previous decades.

The information about sex ratios by age group, extracted from Tables 14 15, corroborates the information from Table 4 about sex ratios by neighborhoo The male population has grown significantly faster than the female population in planning districts with a high proportion of young adults, including Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, South End, Fenway-Kenmore, and Allston-Brighto

Median Age

The median age of Boston residents remained relatively stable at 28.9 years in 1980 compared to 28.1 years in 1970. This shows a population aging more slowly than that of the Boston SMSA and the nation because of the inmigration of young adults. The average age of both metro Boston and the nation rose about two years during the decade to 31.3 years and 30.0 years, respectively. However, around Boston's fairly stable median age, the neighborhood medians varied and the age distribution of Boston and its neighborhoods changed enormously.

The median age of neighborhood residents in Table 5 varied considerably. These neighborhoods were led by West Roxbury (39.3 years) and Central (38.6 years), followed by East Boston, South Boston, Hyde Park and Charlestown. Wit the exception of Central, these neighborhoods tended to have older, white residents. These traditionally family neighborhoods have lost children (who grew up and moved) to other areas, forming households for themselves. Neighborhoods with median ages that approximated the citywide median included Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill, South End, North Dorchester, and South Dorchester where there has been a recent turnover to young adult minority and non-minority residents. Back Bay-Beacon Hill contrasted as a neighborhood that aged to Boston's median as residential turnover has brought in an older group of young adults. Fenway-Kenmore and Allston-Brighton, with high proportions of college students and young adults, remained below the average. Roxbury and Mattapan medians were below Boston's average due to a large number of minority families with children.

Age Distribution

In 1980, Boston's age distribution centered on the 20-34 year age groups. One-in-three persons was in this age group in 1980 compared to one-in-four persons in 1970, as seen in Tables 7 and 9. This is a result of the Baby Boomers being concentrated in these ages and the inmigration of young adults seeking higher education and careers. All other age groups, whether older or younger, have shrunk as a proportion of the total except for the 15-19 year and 75 year and older groups. In 1980, one-sixth of the population was 15 or younger compared to one-fourth in 1970. The proportions in the middle age groups have declined slightly while the proportion of elderly has been stable. In numbers, Table 10 shows that Boston gained some 32,000 20-34 year olds while losing 110,000 persons in other age groups for a net loss of 78,000 persons during the decade. Table 11 shows that Boston's largest percentage losses between 1970 and 1980 were among children. The average loss for the 0-14 age group was 37 percent, which was due to both fewer births and net out-migration.

In general, the neighborhoods followed the city-wide 1970-80 pattern of loss for those under 20 years and those aged 35 to 74, and of gain for those 20-34 years and 75 and over. Notable variations in these trends and exceptions will be mentioned here.

Among children under 15, the largest percentage losses occurred in the traditional neighborhoods of East Boston, Charlestown, South Boston and West Roxbury. High losses also occurred in Fenway-Kenmore and Allston-Brighton where the numbers of young college students and singles were increasing. Areas that bucked the trend and showed small increases in children 10-14 years were South End and Back Bay-Beacon Hill. Increases in 15-19 year olds occurred in

South End, Mattapan and Roxbury where there were large numbers of minority youth.

Table 7 shows that the neighborhoods with the highest proportion of children under 10 years of age were Roxbury (17 percent), Mattapan (17 percent), and Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill (13 percent) despite their considerab losses seen in Tables 10 and 11. Mattapan and Roxbury had the highest proportions of 10-14 year olds also, followed by North and South Dorchester. While Fenway-Kenmore had the highest proportion, 27 percent, of 15-19 year ol among the planning districts because of its transient student population, Mattapan, Roxbury, and North and South Dorchester were also above the citywide average. Therefore, children and adolescents were increasingly located in areas that had predominantly minority populations, as seen in Tables 12 and 13

One-third of Boston's population was aged 20-34 in 1980. However, over half of the population in Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Allston-Brighton, and Fenway-Kenmore was in this age group. In terms of numbers, Allston-Brighton had the most young adults, some 33,000. Large numbers of young adults were also found in Fenway-Kenmore and Back Bay-Beacon Hill, some 17,000 each, and Roxbury and South Dorchester, with about 15,000 each. While the 20-24 year olds were clustered in Allston-Brighton and Fenway-Kenmore, where many college students live, the 25-34 year olds were more dispersed. Neighborhoods with the highest proportions of 25-34 year olds were Back Bay, with one-third, and Central, South End, and Allston-Brighton with one-quarter each.

The areas with the largest percentage increases in 25-34 year olds were South End, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Allston-Brighton, and Central, with 107 percent, 83 percent, 78 percent, and 72 percent, respectively. On the other hand, East Boston, Roxbury, North Dorchester, and Mattapan had increases of less than 10 percent among 25-34 year olds compared to a 35 percent increase city-wide. While all neighborhoods have gained in both numbers and proportion of young adults, the range of increase showed the appeal of various neighborhoods to young adults. The new Bostonians who are young adults with high-level education, skills, and occupations have been disproportionately attracted to areas adjacent to areas of growing employment in finance, education, health and other high-level services.

The number of people 35-54 declined by 20 percent in Boston between 1970 and 1980, 35-44 year olds dropped by some 13 percent, and 45-54 year olds decreased by 26 percent. These losses implied a slowing of out migration compared to the two previous decades. Movement to the suburbs for both better educational opportunities for children and housing has been an important factor. The planning districts with the greatest loss in these age groups included Roslindale, with a 34 percent loss, Hyde Park, North Dorchester and East Boston. Fenway-Kenmore also lost a high proportion, 45 percent, of its 45-54 year old residents.

However, a number of planning districts gained middle aged residents, Back Bay-Beacon Hill gained both 35-44 and 45-54 year olds while Central, South End, and Mattapan had gains among the 35-44 year age group. These four planning districts had the highest proportions of 35-44 year olds in Boston, some 2 to 4 percent above the Boston average of 9.4 percent. However, the neighborhoods with high proportions of 45-54 year olds were East Boston at 11.3 percent, with Charlestown, Central, West Roxbury and Hyde Park close behind. In contrast, only 2.7 percent of the Fenway-Kenmore population fell in this age group compared to 8.7 percent citywide.

Between 1970 and 1980, Boston lost close to 20 percent of both the 55-64 year and 65-74 year age groups. Moreover, the patterns of gain and loss for these two age groups was remarkably similar. In 1980, 9 percent of Boston's population was 55-64 years old and 7 percent was 65-74 years of age. However, East Boston and West Roxbury had notable proportions of these older age groups Among East Bostonians 13.3 percent were 55-64 years old and 9.9 percent were 65-74 years old. In West Roxbury, 12.9 percent were 55-64 years of age and 12.5 percent were 65-74 years old. Above average proportions of both age groups were found in Charlestown, South Boston, Central, Hyde Park, and Roslindale.

Several of these neighborhoods showed gains in these age groups in contrast to the citywide loss: East Boston, Central, Hyde Park, and, for the 65-74 year group, West Roxbury. At the other end of the spectrum, large losses occurred in Mattapan, Fenway-Kenmore, Allston-Brighton, Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill, and South Dorchester.

While less than 6 percent of Boston's population is very elderly, i.e., 75 years and older, the proportions in Table 7 range from 9.5 percent in West Roxbury and 8.6 percent in Roslindale to near 3 percent in Mattapan and Fenway-Kenmore. West Roxbury has experienced the largest growth and Mattapan the largest loss among this age group, nearly 50 percent in both cases.[1]

---

[1] For a detailed description of Boston's elderly population, see Richard S. O'Hara, Jr., "The Boston Elderly, by Neighborhood, Race and Ethnic Origin", Research Department, Boston Redevelopment Authority, February 1983.

Several patterns of age distribution change since 1970 characterize the individual neighborhoods. While all neighborhoods have experienced a proportionate loss of children, above these ages three different patterns of change can be discerned by comparing Tables 7 and 9. First, there is a pattern of increase of both young adults and older people, with several variations on this pattern. In East Boston, South Boston, Hyde Park and West Roxbury, young adults through age 35 and older adults of 55 or 60 years and over grew as a proportion of neighborhood populations. In Roxbury and North Dorchester, this pattern was modified by a loss and stability, respectively, in the population over 65 years of age. For Central, the gains among younger adults extended to age 45. For Allston-Brighton, Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill, and South Dorchester, gains among younger adults extended to age 45 and gains among older adults were confined to those 75 years and older.

The second pattern is an increasing proportion of young adults and a decreasing or stable proportion of residents in the older ages. For instance, South End, Fenway-Kenmore, and Mattapan have proportional losses in the population aged 45 and over, while Charlestown has had a stable population 45 years and older. In Roslindale, proportional loss has occurred in all age groups 35 years or older. The third pattern is unique to Back Bay-Beacon Hill: loss among 15-24 year olds, gains among those 25-54 years of age, and loss for those 55 years and older.

Racial Composition

The racial composition of Boston changed moderately during the 1970-1980 decade. Tables 16 and 20 show that whites declined as a proportion of the total population from 82 percent to 70 percent. Blacks increased from 16 to 22 percent of the total while Asian and Pacific Islanders grew from 1.6 to 2.7 percent. Native Americans remained at 0.2 percent of the population while other races increased from 0.3 to 4.7 percent, reflecting the tendency of som hispanics to indicate their race as other rather than as white or black in 1980. This tendency probably reduced slightly the proportion recorded as whit or black in 1980.

Of the 562,994 persons counted in 1980, 393,937 were white, a decline of some 25 percent. Blacks numbered 126,229, a gain of 21 percent. Asian and Pacific Islanders increased 44 percent to 15,150 while Native Americans grew b 24 percent to 1,302. Some 26,000 "Other races" were also counted, as seen in Table 16.

All neighborhoods had a lower proportion of whites in 1980 than in 1970 (Table 21). The highest proportions of whites, some 98 percent, were still found in East Boston, Charlestown, South Boston, and West Roxbury. Table 18 shows that Roxbury and Mattapan had the lowest proportion of whites at 10 percent and 15 percent, respectively.

The largest numbers of whites were still found in Allston-Brighton and South Dorchester. Table 17 shows that the smallest numbers of whites lived in Roxbury and Mattapan, less than 6,000 in each. The largest proportional losses were in these two planning districts also, at 66 and 76 percent, respectively. Table 21 also shows that North and South Dorchester lost over 40 percent of their white residents between 1970 and 1980. On the other hand, the white population of Back Bay-Beacon Hill grew by 5 percent while Central and South End lost only 1 percent or less of their white residents.

During the 1970-80 decade, Boston's black population increased by 22,000 to 126,000 persons, or by some 21 percent (Table 22) The neighborhoods with the largest enclaves of blacks were Roxbury with 45,000, Mattapan with 29,000, South Dorchester with 16,000, and South End with 11,000 black residents. The proportions black of total population in these neighborhoods were 78 percent, 81 percent, 28 percent and 41 percent, respectively. Blacks in these planning districts comprised 80 percent of all Boston's black population, compared to 84 percent in 1970. However, they were not necessarily the neighborhoods with the largest proportional increases during the decade. Hyde Park had the largest increase in blacks, nearly thirty-fold to 3,864 persons or 13 percent of the neighborhood population. Neighborhoods with increases of some 100 percent include Central, Allston-Brighton, South Dorchester, West Roxbury, and Back Bay-Beacon Hill. However, the resulting numbers were small except in South Dorchester, as mentioned above. Of the other neighborhoods with sizeable black populations, Mattapan's blacks increased by 56 percent and South End's by 55 percent, yet Roxbury's blacks declined by 15 percent. Roxbury was the only neighborhood with a large black population to show a decline. Declines among blacks also occurred in East Boston, Charlestown, and South Boston. In these neighborhoods, the very low numbers of black residents in these neighborhoods in 1970 were substantially diminished by the fear of repercussions from the sometimes tragic race relations events of the decade.

The population of Asians and Pacific Islanders in Boston grew by over one-half to 13,107 persons. In 1980, Table 23 shows that the neighborhoods with the largest Asian populations, 3,000 or more, included Central, Allston-Brighton, and South End. The Asian population of these neighborhoods included nearly three-fourths of all Boston's Asians in 1980 compared to two-thirds in 1970. Central and Allston-Brighton showed increases of about 140 percent during the decade. The number of Asians in the South End increased by only 10 percent between 1970 and 1980. South Boston, Roxbury, and North and South Dorchester actually lost some of their small Asian populations.

The hispanic population of Boston has doubled to some 36,000 during the 1970-1980 decade. Some of this increase, shown in Table 24, is due to better census counting and an increased willingness by respondents to indicate their hispanic identity. The largest enclaves of hispanics were located in Roxbury and Jamaica Plain by both censuses. Together they comprised 43 percent of th City's hispanics in both 1970 and 1980. Table 24 shows that large groups of hispanics were also found in South Dorchester, South End, North Dorchester an Allston-Brighton, with close to 3,000 or more in each. Mattapan, Fenway-Kenmore, and Roslindale each had over 1,000 hispanic residents in 1980. South Dorchester and Roslindale are newcomers to the list of planning districts housing 1,000 or more hispanics. These two neighborhoods, along with West Roxbury, experienced the highest proportional increase in hispanics, over 200 percent, with some 581 percent for West Roxbury because of its tiny number in 1970. All the other planning districts except South Boston had increases as well.

Language Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English

Nearly 82 percent of Boston's 1980 population aged 5 years and older, some 435,000 persons, spoke English only. Some 98,000 persons or 18 percent spoke a language other than English at home as reported in Table 25. This included 5 percent Spanish speakers and 13 percent who spoke other languages at home. Additionally, 14 percent spoke English well, but 4 percent spoke English either not well or not at all.

Planning districts with above average proportions of other language speakers were East Boston, Central, South End, Allston-Brighton, Jamaica Plain, North Dorchester and Roslindale. However, many of those who spoke another language at home spoke English well. For instance, there were large numbers of Spanish speakers in Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, Allston-Brighton, South End, South Dorchester, Mattapan, and North Dorchester. However, the number of essentially Spanish-only speakers was much smaller. There were some 2,000 each in Jamaica Plain and Roxbury among other language groups with non-English speakers, there were over 2,500 each in Central, 2,200 in Allston-Brighton and 1,500 in South

End who were principally Chinese and other Asians. (We note that there is some evidence of undercounting of this group.) In East Boston, the 1,400 non-English speakers were predominantly Italian. In North Dorchester, Cape Verdean/Portuguese and Polish speakers were significant, as were Greeks, Lebanese, and Syrians in Roslindale.

The variety of languages spoken and ethnic groups represented above speaks of the diversity among neighborhoods in a cosmopolitan Boston. Because no comparable question was asked in the 1970 census, comparisons are not presented.

Ancestry

Tables 26 and 27 present census information on ancestry, i.e., a person's self-identified nationality, descent, or country of origin. Among Boston's population, 375,000 or some 67 percent identified themselves as having a single ancestry group with 38 percent being of the European nationalities shown in Tables 24 and 25. Of these, Irish and Italians predominated with 16 and 9 percent of the total, respectively. Some 28 percent of Bostonians named a single ancestry group not specified on the list. Among the 20 percent of Boston residents who indicated multiple-ancestry, half were English/Other. Another 10 percent did not indicate their ancestry and 4 percent indicated a religious or other non-national ancestry. Boston's two largest identifiable ancestry groups were Irish and Italian which were claimed as a single- or partial-ancestry by 27 percent and 12 percent of the population, respectively.

The neighborhoods showed enormous variability in the proportion of their residents who claimed various ancestry groups. For instance, 52 percent of East Boston and 28 percent of Central, ostensibly North End, residents were of pure Italian ancestry, with an additional 10 and 8 percent, respectively, of mixed Italian descent. Another 19 percent of Central residents indicated an unspecified single-ancestry group, probably mainly Chinese or other Asian nationalities.

Irish is the predominant nationality in quite a few neighborhoods. In Charlestown and South Boston, Irish descendants formed 40 percent of the population and those of mixed Irish descent another 20 percent. In West Roxbury, the proportion of Irish was 34 percent and mixed Irish 16 percent, with pure Italian and mixed English at 7 percent each. In North and South Dorchester, Roslindale and Hyde Park nearly a quarter are pure Irish with some additional 15 percent of mixed Irish background.

Ancestry other than the specified European nationalities were important i the latter four neighborhoods. Poles and Greeks formed small but noteworthy groups in North Dorchester and Roslindale, respectively. In these four neighborhoods, "Other" also accounted for a high proportion of the population. The probable elements of "Other" for these neighborhoods sounds like the Unite Nations: Puerto Rican, Cape Verdean, and other European nationalities in Nort Dorchester, a polyglot of ancestries in South Dorchester; Canadian, Russian, Lebanese and other Middle Eastern nationalities in Roslindale; and Canadian, East European, and Middle Eastern backgrounds in Hyde Park. Back Bay-Beacon Hill had noteworthy numbers of English and Irish, of both pure and mixed descent. Fenway-Kenmore was another polyglot of backgrounds, largely reflecting the diversity of university populations.

The "Other" category formed the largest reported ancestry group for Roxbury (75 percent), Mattapan (67 percent), and South End (49 percent). The primary components of Other here are African or American with some Chinese and other Asians in South End.

Marital Status

Table 28 shows the distribution of Boston's men and women aged 15 or older by marital status. Of the nearly 217,000 men resident in Boston in 1980, 110,000 or some 51 percent were single (never married) while 82,000 (38 percent) were currently married. The proportions of separated, widowed, and divorced men were relatively small, 11 percent combined. Among the 251,000 women, 108,000 or 43 percent reported being single while another 80,000 (32 percent) responded that they were married. In addition, some 33,000 reported being widowed while about 29,000 were separated or divorced.

The various neighborhoods had very different distributions of marital statuses and these different distributions related to the age distribution in each area. Areas with high proportions of students, Fenway-Kenmore and Allston-Brighton, had very high proportions single. Areas of young adults, like Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, South End, and Jamaica Plain had high proportions of singles also. Roxbury and Mattapan tended to have singles overrepresented as well largely due to the high numbers of older teenagers. The areas with higher-than-average proportions of married persons tended to be East Boston, South Dorchester, Roslindale, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park. The largest numbers of widows were found in Allston-Brighton and South Dorchester but their proportions were highest in Roslindale, South Boston, and West Roxbury. While divorced men were most concentrated in Back Bay-Beacon Hill, divorced women were most often found in Roxbury.

Household Relationship

Households were divided into two major categories: family and nonfamily. Family households contained two or more persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption. Households that did not meet this definition are considered nonfamily.

Comparison of the household relationship of Boston residents in 1970 and 1980 revealed important changes that reflect nationwide trends. Overall, the was a tendency for an increase in the number of household heads, especially i nonfamily households, and a decrease in the number of children. However, comparisons of the 1970 and 1980 data were limited by a change in the categories of household relationship, evident in Tables 29 through 32. The principal changes in 1980 were to 1) separate "own children" from "other relatives of head" in families, 2) separate non-relatives in family households from those i nonfamily households, and 3) separate nonfamily heads living alone from those heading multi-person households.

Husbands and wives each comprised 13 percent of Boston's population down from 16 percent in 1970. As indicated by the marital status distribution, the highest proportion of husbands and wives living together continued to be in East Boston, Roslindale, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park. The proportion of persons who were children in families declined appreciably city-wide, from 35 to 29 percent of the total. Moreover, the number of those under 15 declined in every neighborhood, although data were not available for own children of head by neighborhood.

Persons in all other household relationship categories increased. Female heads of family households increased from 32,000 to 35,000, and from 5.0 percent to 6.3 percent of the population. This increase was seen in all neighborhoods. Roxbury and South Dorchester continued to have the largest numbers of female heads of household followed by Jamaica Plain and Mattapan. In percentage terms, Roxbury led the list, followed by Mattapan, then South Boston, North Dorchester, Jamaica Plain, and South Dorchester. This general ordering of neighborhoods by proportion of persons who were female householders was unchanged from 1970.

Members of nonfamily households grew by 40 percent, while the number of heads of nonfamily households grew by one-third. In general, the increases in heads of nonfamily households between 1970 and 1980 were inversely related to the proportion of the population which headed nonfamily households. For instance, the increase was only 10 percent in Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Fenway-Kenmore but nearly 100 percent in East Boston, Charlestown, West Roxbury and Hyde Park. The proportion of the population that were nonfamily household heads in 1980 was highest, as expected, in Back Bay-Beacon Hill (44 percent), Central and Fenway-Kenmore (31 percent), and South End and Allston-Brighton (27 percent). Roommates added another 6 to 15 percent of total population to nonfamily household residents.

The number of persons in group quarters had not changed appreciably between 1970 and 1980. A 10 percent decline in inmates of institutions, principally in Roslindale, Roxbury, Jamaica Plain, and South End, was balanced by a 3 percent gain in other group quarters populations. The latter was primarily found in Central, Allston-Brighton, and Back Bay-Beacon Hill and included both dormitory populations and the homeless.

Household Composition

The trends in household composition between 1970 and 1980 parallel those documented in the Household Relationship section. However, focusing on the household, i.e., occupied housing unit, as the unit of analysis rather than persons according to their relationship within a household sharpens the trends considerably. Because the unit of analysis in this section is the household, group quarters are not considered here. This excludes the living arrangements of some 40,000 persons or 7 percent of Boston's population. Excluding group quarters is significant only for Fenway-Kenmore, Allston-Brighton, and Back Bay-Beacon Hill where many college dormitories are located.

The discussion presented here is summarized and adapted from a more extensive BRA Research Department publication on the subject.[2] The reader is referred to it for greater detail.

Boston's shifts in age distribution and in household composition paralle nation-wide trends toward increasing numbers of young adults and smaller, increasingly nonfamily households. Household size declined 13 percent in Boston and nationwide. Persons aged 20 to 34 years old grew to 33 percent of the population of Boston from 24 percent in 1970. Nationwide, the share of young adults 20 to 34 years old swelled from 20 to 26 percent.

A number of factors have contributed to the shifts in household type locally and nationally. Most important is the aging of the post-World War II Baby Boom cohorts from adolescence and their early twenties, when many were children within their parents' households, to the independence of more mature, young adults. Trends toward later marriage and childbearing within this group have also been important. Rapidly rising divorce rates, which have recently leveled off, are another important factor. The increasing longevity of the elderly and their improved financial condition on average have also contributed to a larger percentage of elderly living independently.

A unique combination of other factors have augmented this trend in Boston. These factors include the attraction of Boston's numerous colleges and universities for young adults, the expanding number of jobs in the services sector, and the ambiance of a vital city that appeals to many young persons. On the other hand, Boston's public schools lagged behind other educational systems in recent decades making Boston less attractive to many families with children.

---

[2] Margaret C. O'Brien, "The Changing Household Composition of Boston, Its Neighborhoods and Selected Minority Groups", November 1983.

Table 33 shows that there were 218,457 households in Boston in 1980, a marginal increase, 0.4 percent, over the 217,622 households of 1970. Of these households, 53 percent were occupied by families, down from 65 percent in 1970. The number of family households, those with two or more persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption, has declined some 17 percent from 141,000 to 116,000. Nonfamily households, i.e., individuals living alone or with other unrelated individuals, have increased from a corresponding 35 percent to 47 percent of all households in 1980. This represents an increase of one-third between 1970 and 1980 to over 102,000 non-family households.

For households within the family category, more extreme changes are observed. Married couples with children have declined the most, by 35 percent, to 34,000 households or 15 percent of the total. The dramatic decline in fertility since 1964 has brought about this change. All married couples have declined by 28 percent, until in 1980 they comprised one-third of Boston's households. Other family households, those lacking a married couple, now comprise 20 percent of all households. Other families include those with a single parent and children, siblings living together, or a householder with an older relative. One category of "other family," female-headed households with children under 18 years now comprised 10 percent of all Boston households.

This shift was the result of both the decline in married couple families with children and the increase in female, single-parent families. The aging of much of the Baby Boom cohort to beyond age 18, delayed marriage and childbearing of many young adults, and a rapid increase in rates of divorce and separation among those married fostered these trends. Moreover, Boston's mix of urban amenities, housing, and public services has had limited appeal to families with children.

Specific types of non-family households have shown dramatic change as well. The largest increases of 104 percent and 42 percent occurred among male-headed, one- and multi-person households, respectively, who together comprised 20 percent of 1980 households. Nonetheless, the largest group of nonfamily households in 1980 continued to be females living alone who formed 21 percent of all Boston households. The increases among elderly, nonfamily households has been small, while all elderly-headed households declined by perhaps some 5 percent. This was due to the countervailing trends of an increased tendency for elderly to live alone and to a decline of 10,000 or 13 percent in the number of elderly during the 1970 decade. The last is largely due to smaller cohorts reaching age 65 or beyond as a result of their migration out of Boston in earlier decades.

The neighborhoods of Boston show great diversity in their household composition compared to the city as a whole. While it is possible to examine the composition of each individual neighborhood from Tables 36-51, the highlights indicated by the planning district summary sheets, Tables 34 and 35, will be described here.

Slightly more than half of Boston's households were families in 1980. However, some neighborhoods had much higher proportions of family households while other neighborhoods had lower proportions. There were three distinct groups of neighborhoods as measured by the proportion of households occupied by families. In eight of sixteen neighborhoods, the proportion of family households was close to two-thirds or more. These included East Boston, Roxbury, North Dorchester, South Dorchester, Roslindale, West Roxbury, Hyde Park, and Mattapan. In three more neighborhoods, Charlestown, South Boston, and Jamaica Plain, families occupied between 50 and 60 percent of all households. However, the proportion dropped below 40 percent for Central, South End, and Allston-Brighton, and to 20 percent or less in Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Fenway-Kenmore. The neighborhoods with a high family orientation spanned the city geographically and included a broad spectrum of ethnic and income groups. Those with relatively few families were the neighborhoods that had a higher proportion of young adults 20-34 years than did Boston as a whole. Nonetheless, the proportion of family households fell between 1970 and 1980 for all neighborhoods.

The proportion of married couples with children declined in all neighborhoods also. Indeed, in no neighborhood was the proportion of households in such families greater than 25 percent in 1980. Those with 20 percent or more of their households occupied by traditional families included East Boston, North and South Dorchester, Roslindale, West Roxbury, Hyde Park, and Mattapan. At the other end of the spectrum were the neighborhoods in which young adults predominate. In Fenway-Kenmore and Back Bay-Beacon Hill, about 3 percent of households contained married couples and children. For Central and Allston-Brighton, the proportion approximated 9 percent.

On the other hand, "other" families with children under 18 years grew in both numbers and proportion in all neighborhoods during the 1970-1980 decade. In 1980, they comprised 11 percent of the households city-wide, with 10 percent headed by women and 1 percent headed by men.

Several neighborhoods had higher-than-average proportions of families with minor children headed by women. In Roxbury and Mattapan, they formed 27 and 23 percent, respectively, of total households. In

North and South Dorchester and Jamaica Plain, the proportion was 14 to 15 percent. The neighborhoods with the lowest proportions were again Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Fenway-Kenmore, and Allston-Brighton, plus West Roxbury. With the exception of West Roxbury, this was due to the low proportion of family households rather than to a low proportion of single parent households among family households.

The proportion of female-headed to all family households with minor children was 38 percent for Boston in 1980 compared to 23 percent in 1970. The proportion ranged from 13 percent in West Roxbury to 60 percent in Roxbury. It was 40 percent or higher in South Boston, South End, Jamaica Plain, North Dorchester, and Mattapan.

Nearly half of Boston households were nonfamilies in 1980. The neighborhoods with a high proportion of nonfamily households, i.e., persons living alone or with roommates, were those with low proportions of family households, to wit, Fenway-Kenmore (84 percent), Back Bay-Beacon Hill (80 percent), Allston-Brighton (67 percent), and Central (62 percent). Nonfamilies formed less than 35 percent of the households in East Boston, Roxbury, North Dorchester, South Dorchester, and the suburban-like neighborhoods. All neighborhoods experienced an increase in the proportion and numbers of nonfamily households between 1970 and 1980. However, the amount of increase varied widely by neighborhood. There was no pattern to the size of the increase with regard to neighborhood character or 1980 proportion of nonfamily households because different reasons were responsible for the growth in nonfamily households in various neighborhoods. These reasons include the growth in young adults, their tendency to delay marriage and childbearing, the increasing number of divorced persons, and the increasing tendency of the elderly to live independently of other family members cited before.

In addition, the construction of housing units suitable for only one or two persons has been a contributing factor.

In 1980, over one-in-three Boston households contained only one person. One-in-five contained a single female. One-in-ten contained two or more roommates. As might be expected, the highest proportions of roommate households were in areas with heavy concentrations of students and young adults, namely Fenway-Kenmore, Allston-Brighton and Back Bay-Beacon Hill. The highest proportions of singles were in the burgeoning young adult neighborhoods of Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Fenway-Kenmore, Central, South End and Allston-Brighton. These neighborhoods tended to have higher proportions of single females as well, reflecting the attractiveness of these areas for Boston's many women workers. The high proportion of single female households in South Boston probably indicated more widows.

Indeed, the neighborhoods with high proportions of elderly single people were quite different. They included South Boston (16 percent), West Roxbury (15 percent), and East Boston, Roslindale and Charlestown (13 percent each). On the other hand, in Mattapan, Roxbury, and Back Bay-Beacon Hill, well under ten percent of the households were occupied by persons 65 years and over living alone. The proportion of elderly singles in a neighborhood was related to the total number of households in that neighborhood headed by elderly persons. In general, single elderly occupied one-half to two-thirds of elderly-headed households in any neighborhood. The exceptions were Fenway-Kenmore where three-out-of-four elderly households lived alone, and the four suburban neighborhoods of Roslindale, West Roxbury, Hyde Park and Mattapan where the proportion was closer to 40 percent.

Table 1

BOSTON POPULATION, 1980 AND 1970
BY PLANNING DISTRICT

	1980	1970	Change	
			Number	Percentage
East Boston	32,178	38,873	-6,695	- 17.2
Charlestown	13,364	15,353	-1,989	- 13.0
South Boston	30,396	38,488	-8,092	- 21.0
Central	21,797	19,334	2,463	12.7
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	30,212	27,538	2,674	9.7
South End	27,125	22,680	4,445	19.6
Fenway-Kenmore	30,842	32,965	-2,123	- 6.4
Allston-Brighton	65,264	63,657	1,607	2.5
Jamaica Plain	39,331	47,767	-8,436	- 17.7
Roxbury	57,751	71,095	-13,344	- 18.8
North Dorchester	23,789	32,665	-8,876	- 27.2
South Dorchester	59,123	74,415	-15,292	- 20.5
Mattapan	35,827	45,449	-9,622	- 21.2
Roslindale	32,626	39,558	-6,932	- 17.5
West Roxbury	31,333	34,989	-3,656	- 10.4
Hyde Park	30,223	34,977	-4,754	- 13.6
Planning District Totals	561,181	639,803	-78,622	- 12.3
Harbor Islands and Crews of Vessels	1,748	1,268	480	37.9
Boston Total*	562,994	641,071	-78,077	- 12.2

* Planning districts may not sum exactly to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1; 1970 Census of Population and Housing: First Count Summary Tape. Prepared by S. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

R/6/5/84

Table 2

POPULATION, HOUSEHOLDS, AND HOUSEHOLD SIZE, 1980
BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Number of Persons			Households	Mean Person Househ
	Total	In Households	In Group Quarters		
East Boston	32,178	31,666	486	12,955	2.44
Charlestown	13,364	13,172	192	5,252	2.51
South Boston	30,396	29,479	814	12,626	2.33
Central	21,797	19,637	2,051	10,791	1.82
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	30,212	24,836	5,354	16,547	1.50
South End	27,125	25,299	1,795	12,019	2.10
Fenway-Kenmore	30,842	17,768	13,052	11,404	1.56
Allston-Brighton	65,264	59,602	5,662	28,127	2.12
Jamaica Plain	39,331	36,851	2,407	14,465	2.55
Roxbury	57,751	56,360	1,271	19,979	2.65
North Dorchester	23,789	23,317	454	8,367	2.79
South Dorchester	59,123	57,820	1,207	19,981	2.89
Mattapan	35,827	34,961	855	11,546	3.03
Roslindale	32,626	31,650	952	11,691	2.85
West Roxbury	31,333	30,616	704	12,055	2.54
Hyde Park	30,223	29,644	392	10,650	2.78
Planning District Totals	561,181	522,678	37,648	218,455	-
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	1,748	-	1,741	1	-
Boston Total*	562,994	523,476	39,518	218,457	2.40

* Planning districts may not sum exactly to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1, Massachusetts. Prepared by S. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authorit Research Department.

Table 3

1970 AND 1980 MEAN PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning District	Persons In Households		Households		Mean Persons per Household	
	1970	1980	1970	1980	1970	1980
East Boston	38,365	31,666	12,853	12,955	2.98	2.44
Charlestown	14,947	13,172	4,818	5,252	3.10	2.51
South Boston	37,617	29,479	13,385	10,791	2.81	2.33
Central	18,107	19,637	7,961	12,379	2.27	1.82
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	23,018	24,836	15,180	16,547	1.52	1.50
South End	20,119	25,299	9,057	12,019	2.22	2.10
Fenway-Kenmore	20,217	17,768	13,126	11,404	1.54	1.56
Allston-Brighton	59,174	59,602	24,646	28,127	2.40	2.12
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	44,562	36,851	15,460	14,465	2.88	2.55
Roxbury	68,632	56,360	22,197	19,979	3.09	2.65
North Dorchester	32,138	23,317	9,961	8,367	3.23	2.79
South Dorchester	72,996	57,820	22,167	19,981	3.29	2.89
Roslindale	37,729	31,650	11,884	11,691	3.17	2.85
West Roxbury	34,230	30,616	10,529	12,055	3.25	2.54
Hyde Park	34,626	29,644	14,017	10,650	2.47	2.78
Mattapan	44,751	34,961	10,986	11,546	4.07	3.03
Planning District Totals	601,228	522,678	218,227	218,455	2.76	2.37
Harbor Island and Crews of Vessels	101	-	38	-	2.66	-
City Totals	601,329	523,853	218,265	219,024	2.76	2.40

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape, 1970.
U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, Summary Tape File 1, 1980.

Table 4

SEX RATIOS: NUMBER OF MALES PER 100 FEMALES
1970 AND 1980

Planning District	Sex Ratios 1980	Sex Ratios 1970
East Boston	88	91
Charlestown	90	95
South Boston	85	86
Central	108	103
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	99	70
South End	115	107
Fenway-Kenmore	105	68
Allston-Brighton	83	81
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	84	86
Roxbury	82	82
North Dorchester	88	87
South Dorchester	87	84
Roslindale	85	86
West Roxbury	81	87
Hyde Park	88	92
Mattapan	85	85
Planning District Total	89	85
Harbor Islands and Crews of Vessels	1,276	668
City Totals	89	85

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1970, 1980.

Table 5

MEDIAN AGE, ABSOLUTE AND PERCENT CHANGE, 1970-1980

Planning District	1970 Median Age	1980 Median Age	Absolute Change 1970-1980	Percent Change 1970-1980
East Boston	31.2	34.7	3.5	11.2%
Charlestown	27.9	30.7	2.8	10.0
South Boston	31.4	34.2	2.8	8.9
Central	36.5	38.6	2.1	5.7
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	23.7	28.6	4.9	20.7
South End	33.4	30.4	- 3.0	- 9.0
Fenway-Kenmore	22.4	22.2	- 0.2	- 0.9
Allston-Brighton	28.6	26.5	- 2.1	- 7.3
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	21.6	29.0	7.4	34.3
Roxbury	23.4	26.0	2.6	11.1
North Dorchester	26.2	28.5	2.3	8.8
South Dorchester	28.4	28.7	0.3	1.1
Mattapan	27.1	26.0	- 1.1	- 4.1
Roslindale	32.1	32.0	- 0.1	- 0.3
West Roxbury	36.3	39.3	3.0	8.3
Hyde Park	30.2	31.7	1.5	5.0
Planning District Totals	28.3	29.2	0.9	3.2
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	45.2	23.4	-21.8	-48.2
City Totals	28.1	28.9	0.8	2.8

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 6

1980 TOTAL POPULATION BY AGE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part A Planning Districts	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24
East Boston	32,115	1,639	1,734	2,196	2,698	3,079
Charlestown	13,364	703	732	984	1,228	1,403
South Boston	30,237	1,594	1,628	2,062	2,624	2,978
Central	21,661	570	563	655	1,155	2,581
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	30,178	397	261	296	2,532	6,677
South End	27,063	1,370	1,413	1,700	1,929	2,869
Fenway-Kenmore	30,823	325	168	159	8,230	11,720
Allston-Brighton	65,264	1,918	1,702	2,032	5,223	17,228
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	39,210	2,517	2,435	2,732	3,251	4,995
Roxbury	57,751	5,122	4,886	5,830	6,289	5,679
North Dorchester	23,758	1,798	1,689	2,005	2,407	2,521
South Dorchester	58,989	4,129	4,256	5,195	6,063	5,962
Mattapan	35,816	2,938	3,237	3,859	3,972	3,219
Roslindale	32,577	1,903	1,823	2,241	2,735	3,492
West Roxbury	31,289	1,317	1,278	1,840	2,242	2,907
Hyde Park	29,950	1,823	1,748	2,103	2,650	3,024
Planning District Totals	561,181	30,063	29,553	35,889	55,228	80,334
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	1,748	2	0	2	246	738
Boston Total*	562,994	30,118	29,610	35,965	55,545	81,185

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

1980 TOTAL POPULATION BY AGE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part B. Planning Districts	25-34	34-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 and Over	Median Age
East Boston	4,633	3,059	3,622	2,171	2,102	3,167	2,015	34.7
Charlestown	2,460	1,412	1,447	714	622	1,067	592	30.7
South Boston	4,318	2,772	3,410	1,984	1,831	2,810	2,226	34.2
Central	5,229	2,770	2,364	1,281	1,199	2,007	1,279	38.6
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	9,915	3,460	2,144	940	878	1,489	1,189	28.6
South End	6,861	3,609	2,431	1,176	979	1,643	1,083	30.4
Fenway-Kenmore	5,059	1,249	840	544	563	1,010	956	22.2
Allston-Brighton	16,293	4,070	3,911	2,205	2,154	4,288	4,240	26.5
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	8,260	3,486	2,961	1,562	1,456	2,774	2,781	29.0
Roxbury	9,430	5,877	4,968	2,504	2,099	2,856	2,078	26.0
North Dorchester	3,794	2,254	2,232	1,205	1,126	1,619	1,108	28.5
South Dorchester	9,348	6,003	5,442	2,718	2,414	4,240	3,219	28.7
Mattapan	6,273	4,519	3,142	1,289	1,057	1,389	922	26.0
Roslindale	5,276	2,754	3,116	1,801	1,663	2,957	2,808	32.0
West Roxbury	4,777	2,655	3,318	2,009	2,045	3,918	2,983	39.3
Hyde Park	4,795	2,818	3,137	1,934	1,763	2,490	1,665	31.7
Planning District Totals	106,721	52,767	48,485	26,037	23,951	39,724	31,144	29.2
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	352	123	56	23	27	70	109	23.4
Boston Total*	107,311	53,039	48,698	26,161	24,063	39,956	31,343	28.9

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts;
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 7

1980 TOTAL POPULATION PERCENTAGE, BY AGE, IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part A

Planning District	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24
East Boston	100.0%	5.1%	5.4%	6.8%	8.4%	9.6%
Charlestown	100.0	5.3	5.5	7.4	9.2	10.5
South Boston	100.0	5.3	5.4	6.8	8.7	9.8
Central	100.0	2.6	2.6	3.0	5.3	11.9
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	1.3	0.9	1.0	8.4	22.1
South End	100.0	5.1	5.2	6.3	7.1	10.6
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	1.1	0.5	0.5	26.7	38.0
Allston-Brighton	100.0	2.9	2.6	3.1	8.0	26.4
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	100.0	6.4	6.2	7.0	8.3	12.7
Roxbury	100.0	8.9	8.5	10.1	10.9	9.8
North Dorchester	100.0	7.6	7.1	8.4	10.1	10.6
South Dorchester	100.0	7.0	7.2	8.8	10.3	10.1
Mattapan	100.0	8.2	9.0	10.8	11.1	9.0
Roslindale	100.0	5.8	5.6	6.9	8.4	10.7
West Roxbury	100.0	4.2	4.1	5.9	7.2	9.3
Hyde Park	100.0	6.1	5.8	7.0	8.8	10.1
Planning District Totals	100.0	5.4	5.3	6.4	9.8	14.3
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	100.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	14.1	42.2
Boston Total*	100.0	5.4	5.3	6.4	9.9	14.4

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

1980 TOTAL POPULATION PERCENTAGE, BY AGE, IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part B

Planning District	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 and Over
East Boston	14.4	9.5	11.3	6.8	6.5	9.9	6.3
Charlestown	18.4	10.6	10.8	5.3	4.7	8.0	4.4
South Boston	14.3	9.2	11.3	6.6	6.1	9.3	7.4
Central	24.1	12.8	10.9	5.9	5.5	9.3	5.9
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	32.9	11.5	7.1	3.1	2.9	4.9	3.9
South End	25.4	13.3	9.0	4.3	3.6	6.0	4.0
Fenway-Kenmore	16.4	4.1	2.7	1.8	1.8	3.3	3.1
Allston-Brighton	25.0	6.2	6.0	3.4	3.3	6.6	6.5
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	21.1	8.9	7.6	4.0	3.7	7.1	7.1
Roxbury	16.3	10.2	8.6	4.3	3.6	4.9	3.6
North Dorchester	16.0	9.5	9.4	5.1	4.7	6.8	4.7
South Dorchester	15.8	10.2	9.2	4.6	4.1	7.2	5.5
Mattapan	17.5	12.6	8.8	3.6	3.0	3.9	2.6
Roslindale	16.2	8.5	9.6	5.5	5.1	9.1	8.6
West Roxbury	15.3	8.5	10.6	6.4	6.5	12.5	9.5
Hyde Park	16.0	9.4	10.5	6.5	5.9	8.3	5.6
Planning District Totals	19.0	9.4	8.6	4.6	4.3	7.1	5.5
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	20.1	7.0	3.2	1.3	1.5	4.0	6.2
Boston Total*	19.1	9.4	8.7	4.7	4.3	7.1	5.6

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 8

1970 TOTAL POPULATION FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON BY AGE GROUPS

Planning Districts	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 & Over
East Boston	38,873	3,182	3,264	3,439	3,274	3,283	4,363	4,300	5,023	2,365	1,824	2,661	1,889
Charlestown	15,353	1,258	1,429	1,581	1,544	1,320	1,686	1,651	1,656	767	756	1,077	624
South Boston	38,488	3,129	3,439	3,666	3,346	2,968	3,795	3,747	4,642	2,264	2,019	3,140	2,316
Central	19,334	876	840	803	1,196	2,553	3,039	2,233	2,516	1,299	1,148	1,670	1,141
Back Bay Beacon Hill	27,538	520	301	229	3,572	7,944	5,405	2,182	1,875	1,026	1,270	1,954	1,253
South End	22,680	1,604	1,535	1,379	1,591	2,134	3,315	2,553	2,734	1,186	1,293	2,088	1,251
Fenway-Kenmore	32,965	573	314	245	8,394	11,396	3,685	1,456	1,536	888	1,122	1,985	1,361
Allston-Brighton	63,657	3,242	3,183	3,305	5,307	13,134	9,160	4,870	5,421	3,075	3,278	5,994	3,684
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	47,767	3,766	3,997	3,882	4,388	5,642	5,766	4,170	4,529	2,302	2,425	4,047	2,834
Washington Park-Model City	71,095	8,301	8,495	7,450	6,128	6,010	9,213	7,414	6,766	2,636	2,195	3,682	2,800
Washington Park	20,081	2,256	2,423	1,984	1,660	1,731	2,806	2,199	1,831	693	564	1,117	814
Campus High	1,749	150	226	158	135	114	176	150	191	88	88	160	112
Model City	49,265	5,895	5,846	5,308	4,333	4,165	6,231	5,065	4,744	1,855	1,543	2,405	1,874
Dorchester	152,529	15,122	15,725	14,980	13,116	12,249	17,978	14,764	15,289	7,532	7,176	11,525	7,043
Dorchester 1	32,665	3,274	3,544	3,449	2,983	2,609	3,636	3,123	3,362	1,482	1,368	2,254	1,572
Dorchester 2	74,415	7,056	7,377	7,251	6,480	5,828	8,479	7,495	7,465	3,761	3,741	5,935	3,536
Mattapan	45,449	4,792	4,804	4,280	3,653	3,812	5,863	4,146	4,462	2,289	2,067	3,336	1,935
Roslindale	39,558	3,115	3,306	3,631	3,246	3,010	4,379	3,940	4,472	2,245	2,151	3,588	2,465
West Roxbury	34,989	2,490	2,641	2,999	2,761	2,496	3,584	3,508	4,265	2,366	2,263	3,561	2,055
Hyde Park	34,977	2,743	3,219	3,443	3,037	2,819	3,842	3,788	4,582	2,032	1,723	2,312	1,437
Planning District Totals	639,803	49,921	51,688	51,032	60,900	76,958	79,210	60,576	65,306	31,983	30,643	49,284	32,153
Harbor Islands	1,241	1	14	16	160	145	143	125	151	99	106	157	124
Crews of Vessels	27			9				18					
City Totals	641,071	49,922	51,702	51,057	61,060	77,103	79,353	60,719	65,457	32,082	30,749	49,441	32,277

Source: 1970 Census of Population & Housing, First Count Summary Tape; Tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, BRA Research Department.

Table 9

PERCENT COMPOSITION OF 1970 TOTAL POPULATION FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON BY AGE

Planning Districts	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 Over
East Boston	100.0	8.2	8.4	8.8	8.4	8.4	11.2	11.1	12.9	6.1	4.7	6.8	4.9
Charlestown	100.0	8.2	9.3	10.3	10.0	8.6	11.0	10.8	10.8	5.0	4.9	7.0	4.1
South Boston	100.0	8.1	8.9	9.5	8.7	7.7	9.9	9.7	12.1	5.9	5.2	8.2	6.0
Central	100.0	4.5	4.3	4.2	6.2	13.2	15.7	11.6	13.0	6.7	5.9	8.6	5.9
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	1.9	1.1	.8	13.0	28.8	19.6	7.9	6.8	3.7	4.6	7.1	4.6
South End	100.0	7.1	6.8	6.1	7.0	9.4	14.6	11.3	12.1	5.2	5.7	9.2	5.5
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	1.7	1.0	.7	25.5	34.6	11.2	4.4	4.7	2.7	3.4	6.0	4.1
Allston-Brighton	100.0	5.1	5.0	5.2	8.3	20.6	14.4	7.7	8.5	4.8	5.2	9.4	5.8
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	100.0	7.9	8.4	8.1	9.2	11.8	12.1	8.7	9.5	4.8	5.1	8.6	5.9
Washington Park-Model City	100.0	11.7	12.0	10.5	8.6	8.4	13.0	10.4	9.5	3.7	3.1	5.2	3.9
Washington Park	100.0	11.2	12.1	9.9	8.3	8.6	14.0	10.9	9.1	3.4	2.8	5.6	4.1
Campus High	100.0	8.6	12.9	9.0	7.7	6.5	10.1	8.6	10.9	5.0	5.0	9.2	6.4
Model City	100.0	12.0	11.9	10.8	8.8	8.4	12.6	10.3	9.6	3.8	3.1	4.9	3.8
Dorchester	100.0	9.9	10.3	9.8	8.6	8.0	11.8	9.7	10.0	5.0	4.7	7.6	4.6
Dorchester 1	100.0	10.0	10.9	10.6	9.1	8.0	11.1	9.6	10.3	4.5	4.2	6.9	4.8
Dorchester 2	100.0	9.5	9.9	9.7	8.7	7.8	11.4	10.1	10.0	5.1	5.0	8.0	4.8
Mattapan	100.0	10.6	10.6	9.4	8.0	8.4	12.9	9.1	9.8	5.0	4.6	7.3	4.3
Roslindale	100.0	7.9	8.3	9.2	8.2	7.6	11.1	10.0	11.3	5.7	5.4	9.1	6.2
West Roxbury	100.0	7.1	7.5	8.6	7.9	7.1	10.2	10.0	12.2	6.8	6.5	10.2	5.9
Hyde Park	100.0	7.9	9.2	9.8	8.7	8.1	11.0	10.8	13.1	5.8	4.9	6.6	4.1
Planning District Totals	100.0	7.8	8.1	8.0	9.5	12.0	12.4	9.5	10.2	5.0	4.8	7.7	5.0
Harbor Islands	100.0	.1	1.1	1.3	12.9	11.7	11.5	10.1	12.2	8.0	8.5	12.6	10.0
Crews of Vessels	100.0				33.3			66.7					
City Totals	100.0	7.8	8.1	8.0	9.5	12.0	12.4	9.5	10.2	5.0	4.8	7.7	5.0

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape, tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, BRA Research Department.

Table 10

1970 TO 1980 ABSOLUTE POPULATION CHANGE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON BY AGE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part A

Planning Districts	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24
East Boston	- 6,758	- 1,543	- 1,530	- 1,243	- 576	- 204
Charlestown	- 1,989	- 555	- 697	- 597	- 316	83
South Boston	- 8,251	- 1,535	- 1,811	- 1,604	- 722	10
Central	2,327	- 306	- 277	- 148	- 41	28
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2,640	- 123	- 40	67	-1,040	-1,267
South End	4,383	- 234	- 122	321	338	735
Fenway-Kenmore	- 2,142	- 248	- 146	- 86	- 164	324
Allston-Brighton	1,607	- 1,324	- 1,481	- 1,273	- 84	4,094
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	- 8,557	- 1,249	- 1,562	- 1,150	-1,137	- 647
Roxbury	-13,344	- 3,179	- 3.609	- 1,620	161	- 331
North Dorchester	- 8,907	- 1,476	- 1,855	- 1,444	- 576	- 88
South Dorchester	-15,426	- 2,927	- 3,121	- 2,056	- 417	134
Mattapan	- 9,633	- 1,854	- 1,567	- 421	319	- 593
Roslindale	- 6,981	- 1,212	- 1,483	- 1,390	- 511	482
West Roxbury	- 3,700	- 1,173	- 1,363	- 1,159	- 519	411
Hyde Park	- 5,027	- 920	- 1,471	- 1,340	- 387	205
Planning District Totals	-79,758	-19,858	-22,135	-15,143	-5,672	3,376
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	480	1	- 14	- 23	86	593
Boston Total*	-78,077	-19,804	-22,092	-15,092	-5,515	4,082

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

1970 TO 1980 ABSOLUTE POPULATION CHANGE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY AGE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part B. Planning Districts	25-34	34-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 and Over
East Boston	270	-1,241	-1,401	- 194	278	506	126
Charlestown	774	- 239	- 209	- 53	- 134	- 10	- 32
South Boston	523	- 975	-1,232	- 280	- 188	- 330	- 90
Central	2,190	537	- 152	- 18	51	337	138
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	4,510	1,278	269	- 86	- 392	- 465	- 64
South End	3,546	1,056	- 303	- 10	- 314	- 445	- 168
Fenway-Kenmore	1,374	- 207	- 696	- 344	- 559	- 975	- 405
Allston-Brighton	7,133	- 800	-1,510	- 870	-1,124	-1,706	556
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	2,494	- 684	-1,568	- 740	- 969	-1,273	- 53
Roxbury	217	-1,537	-1,798	- 132	- 96	- 826	- 722
North Dorchester	158	- 869	-1,130	- 277	- 242	- 635	- 464
South Dorchester	869	-1,492	-2,023	-1,043	-1,327	-1,695	- 317
Mattapan	410	373	-1,320	-1,000	-1,010	-1,947	-1,013
Roslindale	897	-1,186	-1,356	- 444	- 488	- 631	343
West Roxbury	1,193	- 853	- 947	- 357	- 218	357	928
Hyde Park	953	- 970	-1,445	- 98	40	178	228
Planning District Totals	27,511	-7,809	-16,821	-5,946	-6,692	-9,560	-1,009
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	209	- 20	- 95	- 76	- 79	- 87	- 15
Boston Total*	27,958	-7,680	-16,759	-5,921	-6,686	-9,485	- 934

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape; 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 11

1970 TO 1980 PERCENTAGE POPULATION CHANGE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part A

Planning District	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24
East Boston	-17.4	-48.5%	-46.9%	-36.1%	-17.6%	- 6.2%
Charlestown	-13.0	-44.1	-48.8	-37.8	-20.5	0.9
South Boston	-21.4	-49.1	-52.7	-43.8	-21.6	0.3
Central	12.0	-34.9	-32.9	-18.4	- 3.4	1.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	9.6	-23.7	-13.3	29.3	-29.1	-15.9
South End	19.3	-14.6	- 7.9	23.3	21.2	34.4
Fenway-Kenmore	- 6.5	-43.3	-46.5	-35.1	- 2.0	2.8
Allston-Brighton	2.5	-40.8	-46.5	-38.5	- 1.6	31.2
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	-17.9	-33.2	-39.1	-29.6	-25.9	-11.5
Roxbury	-18.8	-38.3	-42.5	-21.7	2.6	- 5.5
North Dorchester	-27.3	-45.1	-52.3	-41.9	-19.3	- 3.4
South Dorchester	-20.7	-41.5	-42.3	-28.3	- 6.4	2.3
Mattapan	-21.2	-38.7	-32.6	- 9.8	8.7	-15.6
Roslindale	-17.6	-38.9	-44.9	-38.3	-15.7	16.0
West Roxbury	-10.6	-47.1	-51.6	-38.6	-18.8	16.5
Hyde Park	-14.4	-33.5	-45.7	-38.9	-12.7	7.3
Planning District Totals	-12.3	-39.8	-42.8	-29.7	- 9.3	4.4
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	37.8	100.0	0.0	-92.0	53.8	409.0
Boston Total[*]	-12.2	-39.7	-42.7	-29.6	- 9.0	5.3

[*] Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

1970 TO 1980 PERCENTAGE POPULATION CHANGE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part B

Planning District	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 and Over
East Boston	6.2	-28.9	-27.9	- 8.2	15.2	19.0	6.7
Charlestown	45.9	-14.5	-12.6	- 6.9	-17.7	- 0.9	- 5.1
South Boston	13.8	-26.0	-26.5	-12.4	- 9.3	-10.5	- 3.9
Central	72.1	24.0	- 6.0	- 1.4	4.4	20.2	12.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	83.4	58.6	14.3	- 8.4	-30.9	-23.8	- 5.1
South End	107.2	41.4	-11.1	- 0.8	-24.3	-21.3	-13.4
Fenway-Kenmore	37.3	-14.2	-45.3	-38.7	-49.8	-49.1	-29.8
Allston-Brighton	77.9	-16.4	-27.9	-28.3	-34.3	-28.5	15.1
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	43.3	-16.4	-34.6	-32.1	-40.0	-31.4	- 1.9
Roxbury	2.4	-20.7	-26.6	- 5.0	- 4.4	-22.4	-25.8
North Dorchester	4.3	-27.8	-33.6	-18.7	-17.7	-28.2	-29.5
South Dorchester	10.2	-19.9	-27.1	-27.7	-35.5	-28.6	- 9.0
Mattapan	7.0	9.0	-29.6	-43.7	-48.9	-58.4	-52.4
Roslindale	20.5	-30.1	-30.3	-19.8	-22.7	-17.6	13.9
West Roxbury	33.3	-24.3	-22.2	-15.1	- 9.6	10.0	45.2
Hyde Park	24.8	-25.6	-31.5	- 4.8	2.3	7.7	15.9
Planning District Totals	34.7	-12.9	-25.8	-18.6	-21.8	-19.4	- 3.1
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	146.2	-14.0	-62.9	-76.8	-74.5	-55.4	-12.1
Boston Total*	35.2	-12.6	-25.6	-18.5	-21.7	-19.2	- 2.9

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 12

1980 POPULATION BY AGE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-65	65-74	75 and Over
East Boston	5.7	5.4	5.9	6.1	4.9	3.8	4.3	5.8	7.4	8.3	8.7	7.9	6.4
Charlestown	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.2	1.7	2.3	2.7	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.7	1.9
South Boston	5.4	5.3	5.5	5.7	4.7	3.7	4.0	5.2	7.0	7.6	7.6	7.0	7.1
Central	3.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.1	3.2	4.9	5.2	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.0	4.1
Back Bay/Beacon Hill	5.4	1.3	0.9	0.8	4.6	8.2	9.2	6.5	4.4	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.8
South End	4.8	4.5	4.8	4.7	3.5	3.5	6.4	6.8	5.0	4.5	4.1	4.1	3.5
Fenway/Kenmore	5.5	1.1	0.6	0.4	14.8	14.4	4.7	2.4	1.7	2.1	2.3	2.5	3.1
Allston/Brighton	11.6	6.4	5.7	5.6	9.4	21.2	15.2	7.7	8.0	8.4	9.0	10.7	13.5
Jamaica Plain/ Parker Hill	7.0	8.4	8.2	7.6	5.9	6.2	7.7	6.6	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.9	8.9
Roxbury	10.3	17.0	16.5	16.2	11.3	7.0	8.8	11.1	10.2	9.6	8.7	7.1	6.6
North Dorchester	4.2	6.0	5.7	5.6	4.3	3.1	3.5	4.2	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.1	3.5
South Dorchester	10.5	13.7	14.4	14.4	10.9	7.3	8.7	11.3	11.2	10.4	10.0	10.6	10.3
Mattapan	6.4	9.8	10.9	10.7	7.2	4.0	5.8	8.5	6.5	4.9	4.4	3.5	2.9
Roslindale	5.8	6.3	6.2	6.2	4.9	4.3	4.9	5.2	6.4	6.9	6.9	7.4	9.0
West Roxbury	5.6	4.4	4.3	5.1	4.0	3.6	4.5	5.0	6.8	7.7	8.5	9.8	9.5
Hyde Park	5.3	6.1	5.9	5.8	4.8	3.7	4.5	5.3	6.4	7.4	7.3	6.2	5.3
Planning District Totals	99.7	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.4	99.0	99.5	99.5	99.6	99.5	99.5	99.4	99.4
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	0.3	*	-	*	0.4	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3
Boston Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

* Less than 0.1 percent.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, *Census of Population and Housing*, Summary File 1A-Massachusetts, 1980.

Table 13

PERCENT COMPOSITION OF 1970 TOTAL POPULATION FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON BY AGE

Planning Districts	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 Over
East Boston	100.0	8.2	8.4	8.8	8.4	8.4	11.2	11.1	12.9	6.1	4.7	6.8	4.9
Charlestown	100.0	8.2	9.3	10.3	10.0	8.6	11.0	10.8	10.8	5.0	4.9	7.0	4.1
South Boston	100.0	8.1	8.9	9.5	8.7	7.7	9.9	9.7	12.1	5.9	5.2	8.2	6.0
Central	100.0	4.5	4.3	4.2	6.2	13.2	15.7	11.6	13.0	6.7	5.9	8.6	5.9
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	1.9	1.1	.8	13.0	28.8	19.6	7.9	6.8	3.7	4.6	7.1	4.6
South End	100.0	7.1	6.8	6.1	7.0	9.4	14.6	11.3	12.1	5.2	5.7	9.2	5.5
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	1.7	1.0	.7	25.5	34.6	11.2	4.4	4.7	2.7	3.4	6.0	4.1
Allston-Brighton	100.0	5.1	5.0	5.2	8.3	20.6	14.4	7.7	8.5	4.8	5.2	9.4	5.8
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	100.0	7.9	8.4	8.1	9.2	11.8	12.1	8.7	9.5	4.8	5.1	8.6	5.9
Roxbury	100.0	11.7	12.0	10.5	8.6	8.4	13.0	10.4	9.5	3.7	3.1	5.2	3.9
Washington Park	100.0	11.2	12.1	9.9	8.3	8.6	14.0	10.9	9.1	3.4	2.8	5.6	4.1
Campus High	100.0	8.6	12.9	9.0	7.7	6.5	10.1	8.6	10.9	5.0	5.0	9.2	6.4
Model City	100.0	12.0	11.9	10.8	8.8	8.4	12.6	10.3	9.6	3.8	3.1	4.9	3.8
Dorchester	100.0	9.9	10.3	9.8	8.6	8.0	11.8	9.7	10.0	5.0	4.7	7.6	4.6
Dorchester North	100.0	10.0	10.9	10.6	9.1	8.0	11.1	9.6	10.3	4.5	4.2	6.9	4.8
Dorchester South	100.0	9.5	9.9	9.7	8.7	7.8	11.4	10.1	10.0	5.1	5.0	8.0	4.8
Mattapan	100.0	10.6	10.6	9.4	8.0	8.4	12.9	9.1	9.8	5.0	4.6	7.3	4.3
Roslindale	100.0	7.9	8.3	9.2	8.2	7.6	11.1	10.0	11.3	5.7	5.4	9.1	6.2
West Roxbury	100.0	7.1	7.5	8.6	7.9	7.1	10.2	10.0	12.2	6.8	6.5	10.2	5.9
Hyde Park	100.0	7.9	9.2	9.8	8.7	8.1	11.0	10.8	13.1	5.8	4.9	6.6	4.1
Planning District Totals	100.0	7.8	8.1	8.0	9.5	12.0	12.4	9.5	10.2	5.0	4.8	7.7	5.0
Harbor Islands	100.0	.1	1.1	1.3	12.9	11.7	11.5	10.1	12.2	8.0	8.5	12.6	10.0
Crews of Vessels	100.0				33.3			66.7					
City Totals	100.0	7.8	8.1	8.0	9.5	12.0	12.4	9.5	10.2	5.0	4.8	7.7	5.0

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape, tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, BRA Research Department.

Table 14

1980 MALE POPULATION IN THE CITY OF BOSTON BY AGE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part A Planning Districts	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24
East Boston	15,018	860	881	1,087	1,360	1,508
Charlestown	6,352	385	367	503	630	677
South Boston	13,920	811	831	1,058	1,363	1,471
Central	11,271	275	311	353	702	1,444
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	15,017	186	143	147	1,079	3,174
South End	14,463	730	718	842	1,020	1,528
Fenway-Kenmore	15,786	172	97	78	3,984	6,200
Allston-Brighton	29,542	998	871	1,002	2,431	7,905
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	17,900	1,306	1,280	1,407	1,547	2,279
Roxbury	25,974	2,530	2,422	2,907	3,011	2,513
North Dorchester	11,121	942	821	997	1,197	1,177
South Dorchester	27,478	2,137	2,151	2,657	3,010	2,832
Mattapan	16,485	1,509	1,610	1,912	2,015	1,443
Roslindale	14,971	983	940	1,149	1,437	1,664
West Roxbury	14,029	630	648	973	1,119	1,419
Hyde Park	14,007	909	909	1,091	1,323	1,472
Planning District Totals	264,470	15,363	15,000	18,163	27,228	38,706
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	1,621	2	0	1	246	735
Boston Total*	265,526	15,399	15,009	18,211	27,507	39,493

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

1980 MALE POPULATION IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY AGE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part B.

Planning Districts	25-34	34-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 and Over	Median Age
East Boston	2,286	1,438	1,668	1,003	903	1,298	726	32.0
Charlestown	1,175	722	685	333	283	410	182	29.2
South Boston	2,161	1,308	1,575	950	798	1,040	554	30.4
Central	2,613	1,606	1,312	638	591	884	534	33.8
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	5,168	2,031	1,225	483	397	600	384	29.1
South End	3,892	2,060	1,347	630	481	775	440	30.4
Fenway-Kenmore	3,144	718	456	259	176	288	214	22.3
Allston-Brighton	8,074	1,964	1,793	963	873	1,462	1,206	25.9
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	3,964	1,586	1,324	680	631	1,061	855	27.6
Roxbury	4,051	2,391	2,108	1,091	967	1,182	668	23.4
North Dorchester	1,170	1,029	1,020	571	484	633	361	28.3
South Dorchester	4,445	2,805	2,560	1,216	1,051	1,657	957	26.9
Mattapan	2,667	2,042	1,406	553	557	583	288	23.3
Roslindale	2,627	1,296	1,436	783	709	1,074	865	29.5
West Roxbury	2,355	1,264	1,494	882	869	1,467	909	33.8
Hyde Park	2,352	1,380	1,378	877	785	1,014	517	29.3
Planning District Totals	52,144	25,640	22,787	11,912	10,555	15,428	9,660	28.1
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	348	119	40	14	22	46	48	23.1
Boston Total*	53,354	25,839	22,917	11,989	10,527	15,540	9,741	27.7

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts;
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 15

1980 FEMALE POPULATION IN THE CITY OF BOSTON BY AGE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part A

Planning Districts	Total Population	Under 5	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24
East Boston	17,097	779	853	1,109	1,338	1,571
Charlestown	7,012	318	365	481	598	726
South Boston	16,317	783	797	1,004	1,261	1,507
Central	10,390	295	252	302	453	1,137
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	15,161	211	118	149	1,453	3,503
South End	12,600	640	695	858	909	1,341
Fenway-Kenmore	15,037	153	71	81	4,246	5,520
Allston-Brighton	35,722	920	831	1,030	2,792	9,323
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	21,310	1,211	1,155	1,325	1,704	2,716
Roxbury	31,777	2,592	2,464	2,923	3,278	3,166
North Dorchester	12,637	856	868	1,008	1,210	1,344
South Dorchester	31,511	1,992	2,105	2,538	3,053	3,130
Mattapan	19,331	1,429	1,627	1,947	1,957	1,776
Roslindale	17,606	920	883	1,092	1,298	1,828
West Roxbury	17,260	687	630	867	1,123	1,488
Hyde Park	15,943	914	839	1,012	1,327	1,552
Planning District Totals	296,711	14,700	14,553	17,726	28,000	41,628
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	127	0	0	1	0	3
Boston Total*	297,468	14,719	14,601	17,754	28,038	41,692

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

1980 FEMALE POPULATION IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY AGE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part B.

Planning Districts	25-34	34-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-74	75 and Over	Median Age
East Boston	2,347	1,621	1,954	1,168	1,199	1,869	1,289	37.9
Charlestown	1,285	690	762	381	339	657	410	32.1
South Boston	2,157	1,464	1,835	1,034	1,033	1,770	1,672	38.9
Central	2,616	1,164	1,052	643	608	1,123	745	36.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	4,747	1,429	919	457	481	889	805	28.2
South End	2,969	1,549	1,084	546	498	868	643	30.4
Fenway-Kenmore	1,915	531	384	285	387	722	742	22.2
Allston-Brighton	8,219	2,106	2,118	1,242	1,281	2,826	3,034	27.1
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	4,296	1,900	1,637	882	825	1,713	1,926	30.3
Roxbury	5,379	3,486	2,860	1,413	1,132	1,674	1,410	27.4
North Dorchester	2,624	1,225	1,212	634	642	986	747	28.5
South Dorchester	4,903	3,198	2,882	1,502	1,363	2,583	2,262	30.4
Mattapan	3,606	2,477	1,736	736	500	806	634	27.3
Roslindale	2,649	1,458	1,680	1,018	954	1,883	1,943	35.8
West Roxbury	2,422	1,391	1,824	1,127	1,176	2,451	2,074	44.6
Hyde Park	2,443	1,438	1,759	1,057	978	1,476	1,148	33.9
Planning District Totals	54,577	27,127	25,698	14,125	13,396	24,296	21,484	29.7
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	4	4	16	9	5	24	61	73.1
Boston Total*	53,957	27,200	25,781	14,172	13,536	24,416	21,602	30.0

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 16

RACIAL COMPOSITION OF BOSTON'S POPULATION, 1980

	Number	Percent
All Races	562,994	100.0
White	393,937	70.0
Black	126,229	22.4
American Indian, Eskimo & Aleut	1,302	.2
American Indian	1,245	.2
Eskimo	24	-
Aleut	33	-
Asian & Pacific Islander	15,150	2.7
Japanese	753	.1
Chinese	11,415	2.0
Filipino	569	.1
Korean	307	.1
Asian Indian	979	.2
Vietnamese	987	.2
Hawaiian	63	-
Guamanian	46	-
Samoan	31	-
Other	26,376	4.7

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1, Massachusetts. Prepared by S. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 17

1980 TOTAL POPULATION BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN* IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Total Population	White	Black	American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut	Asian & Pacific Islander	Other	Hispanic Origin
East Boston	32,178	31,564	128	51	118	317	942
Charlestown	13,364	13,118	26	20	127	73	124
South Boston	30.396	30,067	15	68	154	92	160
Central	21,862	17,459	648	23	3,535	197	377
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	30,212	27,864	1,284	49	655	360	937
South End	27,125	10,662	11,058	78	3,220	2,107	3,443
Fenway-Kenmore	30,842	25,413	3,035	59	1,187	1,148	1,419
Allston-Brighton	65,264	57,245	2,673	95	3,784	1,467	2,911
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	39,331	25,114	7,529	132	677	5,879	7,827
Roxbury	57,751	5,829	44,903	241	185	6,593	7,677
North Dorchester	23,789	16,520	3,978	93	156	3,042	2,980
South Dorchester	59,123	39,178	16,488	176	320	2,961	3,496
Mattapan	35,827	5,695	28,940	134	95	963	1,645
Roslindale	32,626	30,276	1,227	26	457	640	1,173
West Roxbury	31,333	30,641	187	14	288	203	395
Hyde Park	30,223	25,861	3,864	32	167	299	504
Planning District Totals	561,246	392,506	125,983	1,291	15,125	26,341	36,010
Harbor Islands and Crews of Vessels	1,748	1,431	246	11	25	35	58
Boston Total	562,994	393,937	126,229	1,302	15,150	26,376	36,068

* Race and Hispanic background are determined separately. Hispanics may be of any race.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

R/10/24/85

Table 18

1980 TOTAL POPULATION PERCENTAGE BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN* IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Total Population	White	Black	American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut	Asian & Pacific Islander	Other	Hispanic Origin
East Boston	100.0	98.1	0.4	0.2	0.4	1.0	2.9
Charlestown	100.0	98.2	0.2	0.2	1.0	0.5	0.9
South Boston	100.0	98.9	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.5
Central	100.0	79.9	3.0	0.1	16.2	0.9	1.7
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	92.2	4.3	0.2	2.2	1.2	3.1
South End	100.0	39.3	40.8	0.3	11.9	7.8	12.7
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	82.4	9.8	0.2	3.8	3.7	4.6
Allston-Brighton	100.0	87.7	4.1	0.1	5.8	2.2	4.5
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	100.0	63.8	19.1	0.3	1.7	14.9	19.9
Roxbury	100.0	10.1	77.8	0.4	0.3	11.4	13.3
North Dorchester	100.0	69.4	16.7	0.4	0.7	12.8	12.5
South Dorchester	100.0	66.3	27.9	0.3	0.5	0.5	5.9
Mattapan	100.0	15.9	80.8	0.4	0.3	2.7	4.6
Roslindale	100.0	92.8	3.8	0.1	1.4	2.0	3.4
West Roxbury	100.0	97.8	0.6	0.0	0.9	0.6	1.3
Hyde Park	100.0	85.6	12.8	0.1	0.6	1.0	1.7
Planning District Totals	100.0	69.9	22.4	0.2	2.7	4.7	6.4
Harbor Islands and Crews of Vessels	100.0	81.9	14.1	0.6	1.4	2.0	3.3
Boston Total	100.0	70.0	22.4	0.2	2.7	4.7	6.4

* Race and Hispanic background are determined separately. Hispanics may be of any race.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

R/11/4/85

Table 19
1970 TOTAL POPULATION BY RACE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

Planning Districts	Total Population	White	Negro	American Indian	Other Specified Races*	Reported Other Races**
East Boston	38,873	38,425	326	22	50	44
Charlestown	15,353	15,130	76	30	108	5
South Boston	38,488	37,798	388	50	152	83
Central	19,334	17,563	263	13	1,437	38
Back Bay - Beacon Hill	27,538	26,464	620	29	310	108
South End	22,680	10,714	8,970	56	2,775	148
Fenway-Kenmore	32,965	29,969	2,013	73	708	192
Allston-Brighton	63,657	61,007	1,149	63	1,295	139
Jamaica Plain - Parker Hill	47,767	40,120	6,884	76	449	219
Washington Park - Model City	71,095	16,962	53,105	277	198	548
Washington Park	20,081	1,502	18,323	85	61	107
Campus High	1,749	304	1,423	12	-	9
Model City	49,265	15,156	33,359	180	137	432
Dorchester	152,529	121,413	29,676	312	549	549
Dorchester 1	32,665	28,420	3,842	113	100	181
Dorchester 2	74,415	66,661	7,218	117	247	161
Mattapan	45,449	26,332	18,616	82	202	207
Roslindale	39,558	38,521	750	25	200	52
West Roxbury	34,989	34,760	82	8	120	19
Hyde Park	34,977	34,735	127	10	91	14
Planning District Totals	639,803	523,581	104,429	1,044	8,442	2,158
Harbor Islands	1,241	980	256	3	1	1
Crews of Vessels	27	27				
City Total	641,071	524,588	104,685	1,047	8,443	2,159

---

* Includes Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Hawaiian and Korean.

** Includes Asian Indians, Burmese and other Asian nationalities.

Source: 1970 U.S. Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape. Tabulation prepared by M. Tompkins, BRA Research Department.

Table 20
PERCENT OF 1970 POPULATION BY RACE WITHIN PLANNING DISTRICTS

Planning Districts	Total Population	White	Negro	American Indian	Other Specified Races*	Reported Other Races**
East Boston	100.0	98.8	.8	-	.1	.1
Charlestown	100.0	98.5	.5	.2	.7	-
South Boston	100.0	98.2	1.0	.1	.4	.2
Central	100.0	90.8	1.4	.1	7.4	.2
Back Bay - Beacon Hill	100.0	96.1	2.2	.1	1.1	.4
South End	100.0	47.2	39.5	.2	12.2	.7
Fenway - Kenmore	100.0	90.9	6.1	.2	2.1	.6
Allston - Brighton	100.0	95.8	1.8	.1	2.0	.2
Jamaica Plain - Parker Hill	100.0	84.0	14.4	.1	.9	.5
Washington Park - Model City	100.0	23.8	74.7	.4	.3	.8
Washington Park	100.0	7.5	91.2	.4	.3	.5
Campus High	100.0	17.4	81.4	.7	-	.5
Model City	100.0	30.7	67.7	.4	.3	.9
Dorchester	100.0	79.6	19.4	.2	.3	.3
Dorchester 1	100.0	87.0	11.8	.3	.3	.6
Dorchester 2	100.0	89.6	9.7	.1	.3	.2
Mattapan	100.0	57.9	41.0	.2	.4	.4
Roslindale	100.0	97.4	1.9	-	.5	.2
West Roxbury	100.0	99.3	.2	-	.3	-
Hyde Park	100.0	99.3	.4	-	.3	-
Planning District Totals	100.0	81.8	16.3	.2	1.3	.3
Harbor Islands	100.0	79.0	20.6	.2	.1	.1
Crews of Vessels	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-
City Totals	100.0	81.9	16.3	.2	1.3	.3

---

* Includes Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Hawaiian and Korean.
** Includes Asian Indians, Burmese and other Asian nationalities.

Source: 1970 U.S. Census of Population and Housing; First Count Summary Tape.
Tabulation prepared by M. Tompkins, BRA Research Department.

Table 21

WHITE POPULATION, 1980 AND 1970
BY PLANNING DISTRICT

	1980	1970	Change	
			Number	Percentage
East Boston	31,564	37,425	-6,861	- 17.9
Charlestown	13,118	15,130	-2,012	- 13.3
South Boston	30,067	37,798	-7,731	- 20.5
Central	17,394	17,563	- 169	- 1.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	27,864	26,464	1,400	5.3
South End	10,662	10,714	- 52	- .5
Fenway-Kenmore	25,413	29,969	-4,556	- 15.2
Allston-Brighton	57,245	61,007	-3,762	- 6.2
Jamaica Plain	25,114	40,120	-15,006	- 37.4
Roxbury	5,829	16,962	-11,133	- 65.6
North Dorchester	16,520	28,420	-11,900	- 41.9
South Dorchester	39,178	66,661	-27,483	- 41.2
Mattapan	5,695	26,332	-20,637	- 78.4
Roslindale	30,276	38,521	-8,245	- 21.4
West Roxbury	30,641	34,760	-4,119	- 11.8
Hyde Park	25,861	34,735	-8,874	- 25.5
Planning District Totals	392,441	523,581	-131,140	- 25.0
Harbor Islands and Crews of Vessels	1,431	1,007	424	42.1
Boston Total*	393,937	524,709	-130,772	- 24.9

* Planning districts may not sum exactly to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1; 1970 Census of Population and Housing: First Count Summary Tape. Prepared by S. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 22

BOSTON'S BLACK POPULATION, 1970 AND 1980, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning District	1980	1970	Change Number	Change Percentage
East Boston	128	326	-198	-60.7
Charlestown	26	76	-50	-65.8
South Boston	15	388	-373	-96.1
Central	648	263	385	146.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	1,284	620	664	107.1
South End	11,058	8,970	2,088	23.3
Fenway-Kenmore	3,035	2,013	1,022	50.8
Allston-Brighton	2,673	1,149	1,524	132.6
Jamaica Plain	7,529	6,884	645	9.4
Roxbury	44,903	53,105	-8,202	-15.4
North Dorchester	3,978	3,842	136	3.5
South Dorchester	16,488	7,218	9,270	128.4
Mattapan	28,940	18,616	10,324	55.5
Roslindale	1,227	750	477	63.6
West Roxbury	187	82	105	128.1
Hyde Park	3,864	127	3,737	2,942.5
Planning District Totals	125,983	104,429	21,554	20.6
Harbor Islands and Crews of Vessels	246	256	-10	-3.9
Boston Total*	126,229	104,685	21,544	20.6

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1-Massachusetts; prepared by R. S. O'Hara Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

R/1/27/83

Table 23

BOSTON'S ASIAN POPULATION*, 1970 AND 1980, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	1980	1970	Change	
			Number	Percentage
East Boston	59	50	9	18.0
Charlestown	113	108	5	4.6
South Boston	133	152	-19	-12.5
Central	3,412	1,437	1,975	137.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	553	310	243	78.4
South End	3,063	2,775	288	10.4
Fenway-Kenmore	878	708	170	24.0
Allston-Brighton	3,112	1,295	1,817	140.3
Jamaica Plain	560	449	111	24.7
Roxbury	97	198	-101	-51.0
North Dorchester	73	100	-27	-27.0
South Dorchester	191	247	-56	-22.7
Mattapan	57	202	-145	-71.8
Roslindale	407	200	207	103.5
West Roxbury	215	120	95	79.2
Hyde Park	159	91	68	74.7
Planning District Total	13,082	8,442	4,640	55.0
Harbor Islands and Crews of Vessels	25	1	24	2,400.0
Boston Total**	13,107	8,443	4,664	55.2

* Consists of Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Hawaiian, and Korean.

** Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

R/1/27/83

Table 24

BOSTON'S HISPANIC POPULATION*, 1970 AND 1980, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning District	1980	1970	Change	
			Number	Percentage
East Boston	942	617	325	52.7
Charlestown	124	46	78	169.6
South Boston	160	276	-116	-42.0
Central	377	324	53	16.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	937	333	604	181.4
South End	3,443	1,641	1,802	109.8
Fenway-Kenmore	1,419	1,055	364	34.5
Allston-Brighton	2,911	1,832	1,079	58.9
Jamaica Plain	7,827	3,015	4,812	159.6
Roxbury	7,677	4,622	3,055	66.1
North Dorchester	2,980	1,318	1,662	126.1
South Dorchester	3,496	977	2,519	257.8
Mattapan	1,645	1,266	379	29.9
Roslindale	1,173	368	805	218.7
West Roxbury	395	58	337	581.0
Hyde Park	504	192	312	162.5
Planning District Totals	36,010	17,940	18,070	100.7
Harbor Islands and Crews of Vessels	58	31	27	87.1
Boston Total**	36,068	17,971	18,097	100.7

* Race and Hispanic background are determined separately. Hispanics may be of any race. 1970 data are persons reported to be of Spanish language; 1980 Hispanics are those indicating Spanish origin or descent.

** Planning districts may not sum exactly to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1-Massachusetts; prepared by R. S. O'Hara Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 25

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH FOR PERSONS FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER

Planning Districts	English Only	Spanish Spoken		Other Language Spoken	
		English Very Well or Well	English Not Well Or Not At All	English Very Well or Well	English Not Well Or Not At All
East Boston	22,462	522	138	5,989	1,430
Charlestown	11,871	130	0	543	117
South Boston	26,177	89	15	2,051	422
Central	14,161	201	89	4,722	2,501
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	24,937	788	42	2,667	228
South End	16,111	1,917	650	2,820	1,517
Fenway-Kenmore	25,299	901	196	3,483	478
Allston-Brighton	50,631	2,060	531	7,937	2,152
Jamaica Plain	26,713	4,447	2,086	2,763	598
Roxbury	46,698	4,681	1,961	2,373	813
North Dorchester	16,529	1,225	602	2,445	914
South Dorchester	47,421	1,994	756	4,292	909
Mattapan	28,614	1,535	277	2,036	386
Roslindale	24,647	681	241	4,039	1,116
West Roxbury	26,296	395	60	2,955	360
Hyde Park	24,755	246	16	2,876	478
Planning District Totals	433,322	21,812	7,660	53,991	14,419
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	474	20	0	0	5
City Total*	434,984	21,868	7,665	54,071	14,424

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 26

ANCESTRY OF PERSONS BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Part A.

Ancestry Group	East Boston	Charlestown	South Boston	Central	Back Bay/ Beacon Hill	South End	Fenway/ Kenmore	Allston/ Brighton	Jamaica Plain
Single									
Dutch	14	22	7	33	87	49	130	179	50
English	609	626	1,361	957	3,452	1,452	2,205	3,736	1,755
French	517	187	407	121	528	290	441	843	406
German	210	78	407	301	888	357	1,079	1,474	766
Greek	64	24	213	135	190	170	291	1,087	724
Hungarian	0	0	41	9	99	47	132	187	67
Irish	2,224	5,155	12,440	1,546	2,359	1,168	2,349	10,149	5,650
Italian	16,643	821	1,660	6,130	1,232	578	1,586	4,328	1,425
Norwegian	19	0	48	48	81	13	56	67	12
Polish	203	111	912	244	334	167	573	1,332	259
Portuguese	305	65	56	98	55	163	148	220	159
Russian	53	93	47	459	896	177	974	3,589	329
Scottish	122	91	267	60	388	216	300	670	283
Swedish	85	18	72	23	223	46	139	220	141
Ukrainian	27	9	58	68	80	76	115	231	82
Other	1,303	592	2,078	4,144	3,686	11,777	6,533	10,690	13,131
Multiple[1]	6,338	4,167	6,948	3,627	9,942	3,270	9,599	16,164	7,749
English/Other	1,509	1,538	1,938	1,324	4,121	1,253	3,196	5,519	2,482
French/Other	1,110	732	1,219	508	1,426	545	1,547	2,213	1,187
German/Other	737	555	945	795	2,893	732	2,611	3,797	2,099
Irish/Other	3,483	2,931	5,179	1,746	3,884	975	3,825	7,242	3,886
Italian/Other	3,154	815	1,571	624	854	368	1,490	2,561	989
Polish/Other	277	268	514	436	861	116	1,169	1,856	196
Not Specified									
Other	829	402	1,138	653	1,286	761	866	3,573	1,134
Not reported	2,613	903	2,193	3,547	3,267	3,284	3,166	6,525	4,982
All persons[2]	32,178	13,364	30,353	22,248	29,083	24,061	30,682	65,264	39,104

[1] Persons may be counted more than once in the selected multiple ancestry groups shown below, or not counted if not in one of the selected groups.

[2] May disagree with neighborhood totals presented elsewhere because based on sample counts, and aggregated from block groups, not blocks as for STF1.

ANCESTRY OF PERSONS BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Part B. Ancestry Group	Roxbury	North Dorchester	South Dorchester	Mattapan	Roslindale	West Roxbury	Hyde Park	Planning District Total	City Total
Single									
Dutch	12	32	53	0	60	40	41	809	809
English	1,482	658	1,807	639	1,113	1,106	946	23,904	24,077
French	224	216	761	212	317	250	383	6,103	6,136
German	209	223	613	25	615	581	429	8,255	8,390
Greek	92	95	231	8	1,604	738	284	5,950	5,950
Hungarian	26	22	33	16	40	27	22	768	768
Irish	1,150	4,955	15,266	1,626	8,724	10,830	6,441	91,582	92,107
Italian	448	852	2,245	260	3,798	2,118	4,228	48,352	48,392
Norwegian	16	19	44	10	18	56	21	528	528
Polish	97	1,424	956	147	424	620	762	8,565	8,638
Portuguese	876	628	558	166	98	69	60	3,724	3,724
Russian	34	24	136	96	561	744	270	8,483	8,488
Scottish	73	139	399	51	247	356	381	4,043	4,041
Swedish	45	54	194	4	120	192	115	1,691	1,710
Ukrainian	18	23	59	4	175	158	115	1,298	1,298
Other	46,755	6,216	18,646	23,832	3,933	2,262	4,452	160,030	160,138
Multiple[1]	3,112	4,209	10,945	2,079	7,710	7,319	8,011	111,189	111,535
English/Other	539	1,322	3,803	420	2,334	2,302	2,435	36,035	36,171
French/Other	267	658	1,770	285	1,229	898	1,389	15,983	17,019
German/Other	308	621	1,738	135	1,325	1,316	1,215	21,822	21,969
Irish/Other	769	2,585	6,889	658	4,665	4,891	5,099	58,707	58,864
Italian/Other	344	751	1,800	168	1,709	1,179	2,176	20,553	20,570
Polish/Other	115	456	611	63	402	516	439	8,295	8,622
Not Specified									
Other	1,089	923	2,438	1,497	1,563	2,166	1,623	21,941	21,999
Not reported	6,300	2,766	4,077	4,999	1,575	1,717	1,586	53,500	54,274
All persons[2]	62,077	23,488	59,488	35,671	32,735	31,349	30,170	561,315	562,994

[1] Persons may be counted more than once in the selected multiple ancestry groups shown below, or not counted if not in one of the selected groups.

[2] May disagree with neighborhood totals presented elsewhere because based on sample counts, and aggregated from block groups, not blocks as for STF1.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, Summary Tape File 3.

ANCESTRY OF PERSONS BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980 (In Percent)

Part A.

Ancestry Group	East Boston	Charlestown	South Boston	Central	Back Bay/ Beacon Hill	South End	Fenway/ Kenmore	Allston/ Brighton	Jamaica Plain
Single									
Dutch	*	0.2	*	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1
English	1.9	4.7	4.5	4.3	11.9	6.0	7.2	5.7	4.5
French	1.6	1.4	1.3	0.5	1.8	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.0
German	0.7	0.6	1.3	1.4	3.1	1.5	3.5	2.3	2.0
Greek	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.9	1.7	1.9
Hungarian	0.0	0.0	0.1	*	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2
Irish	6.9	38.6	41.0	6.9	8.1	4.9	7.7	15.6	14.4
Italian	51.7	6.1	5.5	27.6	4.2	2.4	5.2	6.6	3.6
Norwegian	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	*
Polish	0.6	0.8	3.0	1.1	1.1	0.7	1.9	2.0	0.7
Portuguese	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.4
Russian	0.2	0.7	0.2	2.1	3.1	0.7	3.2	5.5	0.8
Scottish	0.4	0.7	0.9	0.3	1.3	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.7
Swedish	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.4
Ukrainian	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2
Other	4.0	4.4	6.8	18.6	12.7	48.9	21.3	16.4	33.6
Multiple[1]	19.7	31.2	22.9	16.3	34.2	13.6	31.3	24.8	19.8
English/Other	4.7	11.5	6.4	6.0	14.2	5.2	10.4	8.5	6.3
French/Other	3.4	5.5	4.0	2.3	4.9	2.3	5.0	3.4	3.0
German/Other	2.3	4.2	3.1	3.6	9.9	3.0	8.5	5.8	5.4
Irish/Other	10.8	21.9	17.1	7.8	13.4	4.1	12.5	11.1	9.9
Italian/Other	9.8	6.1	5.2	2.8	2.9	1.5	4.9	3.9	2.5
Polish/Other	0.9	2.0	1.7	2.0	3.0	0.5	3.8	2.8	0.5
Not Specified									
Other	2.6	3.0	3.7	2.9	4.4	3.2	2.8	5.5	2.9
Not reported	8.1	6.8	7.2	15.9	11.2	13.6	10.3	10.0	12.7
All persons[2]	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

* Less than 0.1 percent.

[1] Persons may be counted more than once in the selected multiple ancestry groups shown below, or not counted if not in one of the selected groups.

[2] All persons are the sum of all single ancestry groups, multiple, not specified-other, and not specified-not reported. Selected multiple ancestry groups are not summed to the neighborhood totals for the reasons cited in footnote 1. Percents are presented for selected multiple ancestry groups so that the reader may know those of a particular ancestry, whether the respondent claimed this as his sole ancestry or indicated that he/she was of this and other ancestries.

ANCESTRY OF PERSONS BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980 (In Percent)

Part B. Ancestry Group	Roxbury	North Dorchester	South Dorchester	Mattapan	Roslindale	West Roxbury	Hyde Park	Planning District Total	City Total
Single									
Dutch	*	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
English	2.4	2.8	3.0	1.8	3.4	3.5	3.1	4.3	4.3
French	0.4	0.9	1.3	0.6	1.0	0.8	1.3	1.1	1.1
German	0.3	0.9	1.0	0.1	1.9	1.9	1.4	1.5	1.5
Greek	0.1	0.4	0.4	*	4.9	2.4	0.9	1.1	1.1
Hungarian	*	0.1	0.1	*	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Irish	1.9	21.1	25.7	4.6	26.7	34.5	21.3	16.3	16.4
Italian	0.7	3.6	3.8	0.7	11.6	6.8	14.0	8.6	8.6
Norwegian	*	0.1	0.1	*	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Polish	0.2	6.1	1.6	0.4	1.3	2.0	2.5	1.5	1.5
Portuguese	1.4	2.7	0.9	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.7
Russian	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	1.7	2.4	0.9	1.5	1.5
Scottish	0.1	0.6	0.7	0.1	0.8	1.1	1.3	0.7	0.7
Swedish	0.1	0.2	0.3	*	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3
Ukrainian	*	0.1	0.1	*	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2
Other	75.3	26.5	31.3	66.8	12.0	7.2	14.8	28.5	28.4
Multiple[1]	5.0	17.9	18.4	5.8	23.6	23.3	26.6	19.8	19.8
English/Other	0.9	5.6	6.4	1.2	7.1	7.3	8.1	6.4	6.4
French/Other	0.4	2.8	3.0	0.8	3.8	2.9	4.6	2.8	3.0
German/Other	0.5	2.6	2.9	0.4	4.0	4.2	4.0	3.9	3.9
Irish/Other	1.2	11.0	11.6	1.8	14.3	15.6	16.9	10.5	10.5
Italian/Other	0.6	3.2	3.0	0.5	5.2	3.8	7.2	3.7	3.7
Polish/Other	0.2	1.9	1.0	0.2	1.2	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5
Not Specified									
Other	1.8	3.9	4.1	4.2	4.8	6.9	5.4	3.9	3.9
Not reported	10.1	11.8	6.9	14.0	4.8	5.5	5.3	9.5	9.6
All persons[2]	110.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

* Less than 0.1 percent.

[1] Persons may be counted more than once in the selected multiple ancestry groups shown below, or not counted if not in one of the selected groups.

[2] All persons are the sum of all single ancestry groups, multiple, not specified-other, and not specified-not reported. Selected multiple ancestry groups are not summed to the neighborhood totals for the reasons cited in footnote 1. Percents are presented for selected multiple ancestry groups so that the reader may know those of a particular ancestry, whether the respondent claimed this as his sole ancestry or indicated that he/she was of this and other ancestries.

Table 28

MARITAL STATUS, BY SEX, OF PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Planning District	Male					Female				
	Single	Married	Separated	Widowed	Divorced	Single	Married	Separated	Widowed	Divorced
East Boston	4,330	6,388	317	608	543	4,041	6,330	697	2,371	969
Charlestown	2,486	2,122	79	186	224	2,203	2,026	263	910	446
South Boston	4,932	4,608	430	597	714	4,420	4,758	810	2,828	960
Central	5,383	3,825	361	369	732	3,972	3,462	211	1,309	766
Back Bay/ Beacon Hill	9,139	2,912	407	229	1,122	9,266	2,860	229	955	1,047
South End	6,401	3,070	749	401	949	3,645	2,971	672	1,058	768
Fenway/Kenmore	12,423	1,652	283	115	513	11,842	1,584	258	765	468
Allston/Brighton	16,651	8,075	436	634	977	18,850	8,041	732	3,678	1,554
Jamaica Plain	7,440	5,069	506	561	734	7,569	5,085	997	2,437	1,186
Roxbury	8,962	7,018	1,170	804	1,047	10,175	6,982	3,082	2,995	2,581
North Dorchester	3,786	3,542	322	305	370	3,577	3,502	681	1,362	735
South Dorchester	9,236	9,386	637	750	748	9,465	9,241	1,412	3,621	1,451
Mattapan	5,059	4,761	680	350	493	5,732	4,576	1,366	1,300	1,295
Roslindale	4,827	5,936	149	512	446	4,695	5,954	508	2,706	865
West Roxbury	4,090	6,781	141	518	351	4,793	6,609	185	2,914	617
Hyde Park	4,144	6,144	210	331	424	4,013	6,128	411	1,972	722
Planning District Totals	109,289	81,289	6,877	7,270	10,387	108,258	80,109	12,514	33,181	16,430
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	278	56	14	14	14	48	30	6	39	0
City Totals*	110,269	81,816	6,937	7,294	10,438	108,317	80,165	12,630	33,235	16,415

* Planning Districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R. S. O'Hara, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 29

HOUSEHOLD RELATIONSHIP OF BOSTON RESIDENTS BY PLANNING DISTRICT: 1980

Part A

Planning District	Persons in Family Households						Nonrelative Of Head
	Spouse Present		Male Householder	Female Householder	Other Relatives of Head		
	Householder	Spouse	No Spouse Present	No Spouse Present	Own Children	Other Relatives[1]	
East Boston	5,903	5,903	478	2,068	6,787	5,418	189
Charlestown	1,984	1,984	202	910	2,932	2,550	128
South Boston	4,271	4,271	524	2,387	6,430	5,408	255
Central	3,073	3,073	303	661	2,146	2,349	113
Back Bay/Beacon Hill	2,672	2,672	209	473	1,053	920	269
South End	2,693	2,693	375	1,686	4,939	3,152	526
Fenway/Kenmore	1,144	1,144	198	426	670	729	134
Allston/Brighton	7,497	7,497	669	2,313	6,625	6,871	707
Jamaica Plain/ Parker Hill	4,538	4,538	562	3,018	8,489	5,801	823
Roxbury	5,531	5,531	881	6,735	17,339	10,645	1,454
North Dorchester	3,298	3,298	374	1,898	6,361	4,392	335
South Dorchester	8,440	8,440	962	4,370	15,781	11,170	1,077
Roslindale	5,691	5,691	463	1,983	7,137	6,076	305
West Roxbury	6,345	6,345	385	1,421	5,502	5,906	170
Hyde Park	5,731	5,731	400	1,627	6,739	5,811	317
Mattapan	4,412	4,412	631	3,420	11,164	6,240	855
Planning District Totals	73,223	73,223	7,416	35,396	110,094	83,438	7,657
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels							
City Totals	73,333	73,333	7,633	35,408	110,292	83,667[1]	7,673

[1] Includes unrelated children and own children 18 and over.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, STF1.
Note: Column entries may not sum to column totals or planning district totals due to suppression.

HOUSEHOLD RELATIONSHIP OF BOSTON RESIDENTS BY PLANNING DISTRICT: 1980

Part B

Planning Districts	Nonfamily Households					Group Quarters	
	One Person		Two or More Person Households				
	Male	Female	Male Householder	Female Householder	Others in Household	Inmates of Institutions	Others
East Boston	1,553	2,596	203	143	410	361	125
Charlestown	731	1,158	148	119	326	-	192
South Boston	1,971	3,025	245	161	513	529	285
Central	2,655	3,029	576	445	1,217	434	1,617
Back Bay/Beacon Hill	5,058	5,318	1,629	1,184	3,378	137	5,217
South End	3,347	2,445	1,027	435	1,971	375	1,420
Fenway/Kenmore	3,495	3,325	1,675	1,129	3,700	90	12,962
Allston/Brighton	4,154	7,170	2,925	3,399	9,775	871	4,791
Jamaica Plain/ Parker Hill	1,817	2,693	1,004	811	2,740	1,887	510
Roxbury	2,616	3,183	601	398	1,451	1,087	184
North Dorchester	1,008	1,340	258	181	566	346	108
South Dorchester	1,997	3,163	613	321	1,394	838	369
Roslindale	834	2,118	155	253	746	714	138
West Roxbury	845	2,553	257	267	635	567	137
Hyde Park	869	1,558	216	150	444	328	64
Mattapan	1,135	1,427	344	209	728	811	44
Planning District Totals	34,085	46,101	11,876	9,605	29,994	9,375	28,163
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	1	0	0	0	6	446	1,275
City Totals	34,156	46,150	12,040	9,737	30,054	9,955	29,563

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, STF1.

Note: Column entries may not sum to column totals or planning district totals due to suppression.

Table 30

HOUSEHOLD RELATIONSHIP OF BOSTON RESIDENTS BY PLANNING DISTRICT: 1980
(In Percent)

Part A

Planning District	Persons in Family Households						Nonrelative Of Head
	Spouse Present		Male Householder	Female Householder	Other Relatives of Head		
	Householder	Spouse	No Spouse Present	No Spouse Present	Own Children	Other Relatives[1]	
East Boston	8.0	8.0	6.3	5.8	6.2	6.5	2.5
Charlestown	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.0	1.7
South Boston	5.8	5.8	6.9	6.7	5.8	6.5	3.3
Central	4.2	4.2	4.0	1.9	1.9	2.8	1.5
Back Bay/Beacon Hill	3.6	3.6	2.7	1.3	1.0	1.1	3.5
South End	3.7	3.7	4.9	4.8	4.5	3.8	6.9
Fenway/Kenmore	1.6	1.6	2.6	1.2	0.6	0.9	1.7
Allston/Brighton	10.2	10.2	8.8	6.5	6.0	8.2	9.2
Jamaica Plain/ Parker Hill	6.2	6.2	7.4	8.5	7.7	6.9	10.7
Roxbury	7.5	7.5	11.5	19.0	15.7	12.7	18.9
North Dorchester	4.5	4.5	4.9	5.4	5.8	5.2	4.4
South Dorchester	11.5	11.5	12.6	12.3	14.3	13.4	14,0
Roslindale	7.8	7.8	6.1	5.6	6.5	7.3	4.0
West Roxbury	8.7	8.7	5.0	4.0	5.0	7.1	2.2
Hyde Park	7.8	7.8	5.2	4.6	6.1	6.9	4.1
Mattapan	6.0	6.0	8.3	9.7	10.1	7.5	11.1
Planning District Totals							
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels							
City Totals	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

[1] Includes unrelated children and own children 18 and over.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, STF1.

HOUSEHOLD RELATIONSHIP OF BOSTON RESIDENTS BY PLANNING DISTRICT: 1980
(In Percent)

Part B

Planning Districts	Nonfamily Households					Group Quarters	
	One Person		Two or More Person Households				
	Male	Female	Male House-holder	Female House-holder	Others in Household	Inmates of Institutions	Others
East Boston	4.5	5.6	1.7	1.5	1.4	3.6	0.4
Charlestown	2.2	2.5	1.2	1.2	1.1	5.3	0.6
South Boston	5.8	6.6	2.0	1.7	1.7	4.4	1.0
Central	7.8	6.6	4.8	4.6	4.0	1.4	5.5
Back Bay/Beacon Hill	14.8	11.5	13.5	12.2	11.2	3.8	17.6
South End	9.8	5.3	8.5	4.5	6.6	0.9	4.8
Fenway/Kenmore	10.2	7.2	13.9	11.6	12.3	8.7	43.8
Allston/Brighton	12.2	15.5	2.4	34.9	32.5	19.0	16.2
Jamaica Plain/ Parker Hill	5.3	5.8	8.3	8.3	9.1	10.9	1.7
Roxbury	7.7	6.9	5.0	4.1	4.8	3.5	0.6
North Dorchester	3.0	2.9	2.1	1.9	8.4	0.4	0.4
South Dorchester	5.8	6.9	5.1	3.3	4.6	7.2	12.5
Roslindale	2.4	4.6	1.3	2.6	2.5	5.7	0.5
West Roxbury	2.5	5.5	2.1	2.7	2.1	3.3	0.5
Hyde Park	2.5	3.4	1.8	1.5	1.5	8.1	0.2
Mattapan	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.1	2.4	4.5	0.1
Planning District Totals							
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels						4.5	4.3
City Totals	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, STF1.

Table 31

1970 TOTAL POPULATION FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON BY HOUSEHOLD RELATIONSHIP

	Head of Husband-wife Household	Household with other Male Head	Household with female Head	Wife of Head of Household	Other Relative of Head of Hshld.	Male Primary Individual	Female Primary Individual	Non-Relative of Head *	Inmates of Institutions	Other in Grp Quarters
East Boston	7,847	496	1,781	7,847	17,361	882	1,845	333	332	143
Charlestown	2,377	217	854	2,377	7,531	463	905	228	-	397
South Boston	6,048	532	2,371	6,048	17,664	1,490	2,934	530	465	389
Central	3,121	243	607	3,121	5,285	2,479	2,278	979	319	382
Back Bay - Beacon Hill	2,710	136	480	2,710	2,062	5,131	6,008	3,793	42	4,459
South End	2,504	250	1,136	2,504	7,334	2,775	2,305	1,318	83	2,454
Fenway - Kenmore	2,145	183	573	2,145	2,241	4,156	5,231	3,543	82	12,656
Allston - Brighton	10,188	649	2,381	10,188	18,678	3,762	7,564	5,782	832	3,629
Jamaica Plain - Parker Hill	7,026	545	2,959	7,026	19,484	1,973	3,395	2,171	1,571	1,598
Washington Park - Model City	9,550	786	5,820	9,550	35,125	2,364	3,492	1,994	1,755	654
Washington Park	2,773	202	1,717	2,773	9,570	652	1,140	500	651	100
Campus High	207	10	153	207	800	90	131	65	57	28
Model City	6,570	574	3,950	6,570	24,755	1,622	2,221	1,429	1,047	526
Dorchester	26,181	1,750	8,863	26,181	74,847	2,932	6,428	2,756	1,690	871
Dorchester 1	5,189	367	2,009	5,189	16,516	797	1,494	589	313	193
Dorchester 2	12,855	949	4,038	12,855	36,691	1,322	3,084	1,216	834	560
Mattapan	8,137	434	2,816	8,137	21,640	813	1,850	951	543	118
Roslindale	7,549	411	1,767	7,549	17,787	506	1,766	417	1,530	256
West Roxbury	7,454	367	1,212	7,454	15,492	422	1,454	382	622	130
Hyde Park	7,397	340	1,101	7,397	16,322	519	1,128	433	210	130
Planning District Total	102,097	6,905	31,905	102,097	257,213	29,854	46,733	24,659	9,533	28,559
Harbor Islands	14	1	-	14	34	21	2	-	1,038	117
Crews of Vessels	9	-	-	9	9	-	-	-	-	
City Totals	102,120	6,906	31,905	102,120	257,256	29,875	46,735	24,659	10,571	28,775

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape; Tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, B.R.A. Research Department.

* Includes roomers, boarders, and lodgers.

Table 32

PERCENT COMPOSITION OF 1970 TOTAL POPULATION BY HOUSEHOLD RELATIONSHIP WITHIN PLANNING DISTRICTS

		Head of hus.-wife Hsld.	Hsld. with other male head	Hsld. with female head	Wife of head of hsld.	Other relative of head of hsld.	Male primary individual	Female primary individual	Non-relative of head *	Inmate of Instit.	Others in grou Quar-ters
East Boston	100.0	20.2	1.3	4.6	20.2	44.7	2.3	4.7	.8	.8	.4
Charlestown	100.0	15.5	1.4	5.6	15.5	49.0	3.0	5.9	1.5	-	2.6
South Boston	100.0	15.7	1.4	6.2	15.7	45.9	3.9	7.6	1.4	1.2	1.0
Central	100.0	16.2	1.3	3.1	16.2	27.3	12.8	11.8	5.1	1.6	4.6
Back Bay - Beacon Hill	100.0	9.8	.5	1.8	9.8	7.5	18.6	21.8	13.8	.2	16.2
South End	100.0	11.1	1.1	5.0	11.1	32.3	12.2	10.2	5.8	.4	10.8
Fenway - Kenmore	100.0	6.5	.6	1.7	6.5	6.8	12.6	15.9	10.7	.3	38.4
Allston - Brighton	100.0	16.0	1.0	3.7	16.0	29.4	5.9	11.9	9.1	1.3	5.7
Jamaica Plain - Parker Hill	100.0	14.7	1.1	6.2	14.7	40.8	4.1	7.1	4.6	3.3	3.4
Washington Park - Model City	100.0	13.4	1.1	8.2	13.4	49.4	3.4	4.9	2.8	2.5	.9
Washington Park	100.0	13.8	1.0	8.6	13.8	47.7	3.2	5.7	2.5	3.2	.5
Campus High	100.0	11.8	.8	8.7	11.8	45.7	5.1	7.5	3.7	3.3	1.6
Model City	100.0	13.3	1.2	8.0	13.3	50.3	3.3	4.5	2.9	2.1	1.1
Dorchester	100.0	17.2	1.1	5.8	17.2	49.1	1.9	4.2	1.8	1.1	.6
Dorchester 1	100.0	15.9	1.1	6.1	15.9	50.6	2.4	4.6	1.8	1.0	.6
Dorchester 2	100.0	17.3	1.3	5.4	17.3	49.3	1.8	4.1	1.6	1.1	.8
Mattapan	100.0	17.9	.9	6.2	17.9	47.6	1.8	4.1	2.1	1.2	.3
Roslindale	100.0	19.1	1.0	4.5	19.1	44.9	1.3	4.5	1.0	3.9	.7
West Roxbury	100.0	21.3	1.0	3.5	21.3	44.3	1.2	4.1	1.1	1.8	.4
Hyde Park	100.0	21.2	1.0	3.1	21.2	46.6	1.5	3.2	1.2	.6	.4
Planning District Total	100.0	15.9	1.1	5.0	15.9	40.2	4.7	7.3	3.9	1.5	4.5

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape; Tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, B.R.A. Research Department.

* Includes roomers, boarders and lodgers.

Table 33

COMPOSITION OF BOSTON HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 AND 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	218,457	100.0	217,622	0.4
Family	53.3	116,374	64.8	140,966	-17.4
Married Couple	33.6	73,333	46.9	102,147	-28.2
With Children under 18	15.4	33,622	23.7	51,487	-34.7
Other Family	19.9	43,401	17.8	38,819	11.8
Male Householder	3.5	7,633	3.2	6,906	10.5
With Children under 18	1.1	2,359	0.5	1,190	98.2
Female Householder	16.2	35,408	14.7	31,913	11.0
With Children under 18	10.2	22,368	7.4	16,196	38.1
Non-family	46.7	102,083	35.2	76,656	33.2
One Person	36.8	80,306	29.0	63,028	27.4
Male Householder	15.6	34,156	11.0	23,995	42.3
Female Householder	21.1	46,150	17.9	39,033	18.2
65 Years or More	10.6	23,203	10.3	22,342	3.9
Two or More Persons	10.0	21,177	6.3	13,628	59.8
Male Householder	5.5	12,040	2.7	5,905	103.9
Female Householder	4.5	9,737	3.5	7,723	26.1
65 Years or More	0.6	1,255	0.5	1,009	24.4

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing 1970 and 1980.

Table 34

BRA PLANNING DISTRICT SUMMARY SHEET OF FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS COMPOSITION, 1980
Percent of All Households

Planning Districts	Families	Married Couple With Children Under 18 Years	Other Families With Children Under 18 Years	Female Househ With Children Under 18 Year
East Boston	65.3	20.0	9.5	8.8
Charlestown	58.9	18.9	10.2	9.5
South Boston	57.1	15.4	11.6	10.7
Central	37.6	9.6	2.5	2.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	20.3	3.4	1.3	1.1
South End	39.6	11.4	11.7	10.6
Fenway-Kenmore	15.5	2.5	2.0	1.7
Allston-Brighton	33.4	8.7	3.4	3.0
Jamaica Plain	56.2	15.0	15.6	14.1
Roxbury	65.9	15.8	29.7	27.5
North Dorchester	66.7	20.6	16.6	15.1
South Dorchester	69.3	23.1	16.0	14.3
Roslindale	70.8	23.1	9.8	8.8
West Roxbury	67.6	20.3	3.6	3.2
Hyde Park	73.3	25.4	8.9	7.8
Mattapan	73.1	23.1	26.4	23.5
Boston	53.3	15.4	11.3	10.2

Table 35

BRA PLANNING DISTRICT SUMMARY SHEET: COMPOSITION OF NON-FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS, 1980

Percent of All Households

Planning Districts	Unrelated Individual Households	One Person	One Person Female	One Person 65+	Two or More Persons
East Boston	34.7	32.1	20.1	13.0	2.7
Charlestown	41.1	36.0	22.0	12.6	5.1
South Boston	42.9	39.7	24.0	16.1	3.2
Central	62.4	52.9	28.2	11.9	9.5
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	79.7	62.7	32.1	7.7	17.0
South End	60.4	48.2	20.4	10.3	12.2
Fenway-Kenmore	84.5	59.9	29.2	11.0	24.6
Allston-Brighton	66.6	46.0	22.9	9.9	20.5
Jamaica Plain	43.8	31.2	18.6	9.9	12.6
Roxbury	34.1	29.1	16.0	7.5	5.0
North Dorchester	33.3	28.1	16.0	10.0	5.3
South Dorchester	30.7	26.0	15.9	10.4	4.7
Roslindale	29.2	25.7	18.4	12.7	3.5
West Roxbury	32.4	28.0	21.0	14.9	4.3
Hyde Park	26.7	23.2	15.0	9.8	3.5
Mattapan	26.9	22.1	12.3	4.5	4.8
Boston	46.7	36.8	21.1	10.6	10.0

Table 36

COMPOSITION OF EAST BOSTON HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	12,944	100.0	12,851	0.7
Family	65.3	8,449	78.8	10,124	- 16.6
Married couple	45.6	5,903	61.1	7,847	- 24.8
with children under 18	20.0	2,590	32.7	4,197	- 38.3
Other family	19.7	2,546	17.7	2,277	11.8
Male householder	3.7	478	3.9	496	- 3.6
with children under 18	0.7	96	0.8	107	- 10.3
Female householder	16.0	2,068	13.9	1,781	16.1
with children under 18	8.8	1,139	6.7	867	31.4
Non-family	34.7	4,495	21.2	2,727	64.8
One Person	32.1	4,149			
Male Householder	12.0	1,553		882	
Female Householder	20.1	2,596		1,845	
65 years or more	13.0	1,682			
Two or More Persons	2.7	346			
Male Householder	1.6	203			
Female Householder	1.1	143			
65 years or more	0.3	34			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 37

COMPOSITION OF CHARLESTOWN HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980 Percent
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	5,252		4,816	9.0
Family	58.9	3,096	71.6	3,448	- 10.2
Married couple	37.8	1,984	49.4	2,377	- 16.5
with children under 18	18.9	995	30.2	1,456	- 31.7
Other family	21.2	1,112	22.2	1,071	3.8
Male householder	3.8	202	4.5	217	- 6.9
with children under 18	0.7	38	0.9	42	- 9.5
Female householder	17.3	910	17.7	854	6.6
with children under 18	9.5	497	8.9	429	15.8
Non-family	41.1	2,156	28.4	1,368	57.6
One Person	36.0	1,889			
Male Householder	13.9	731		463	
Female Householder	22.0	1,158		905	
65 years or more	12.6	664			
Two or More Persons	5.1	267			
Male Householder	2.8	148			
Female Householder	2.3	119			
65 years or more	0.1	7			

OURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

OTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 38

COMPOSITION OF SOUTH BOSTON HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-198
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	12,584	100.0	13,375	- 5.9
Family	57.1	7,182	66.9	8,951	- 19.8
Married couple	33.9	4,271	45.2	6,048	- 29.4
with children under 18	15.4	1,938	24.5	3,273	- 40.8
Other family	23.3	2,911	21.7	2,903	0.3
Male householder	4.2	524	4.0	532	- 1.5
with children under 18	0.9	109	0.7	95	14.7
Female householder	19.0	2,387	17.7	2,371	0.7
with children under 18	10.7	1,345	9.0	1,207	11.4
Non-family	42.9	5,402	33.1	4,424	22.1
One Person	39.7	4,996			
Male Householder	15.7	1,971		1,496	
Female Householder	24.0	3,025		2,934	
65 years or more	16.1	2,029			
Two or More Persons	3.2	406			
Male Householder	1.9	245			
Female Householder	1.3	161			
65 years or more	0.4	48			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 39

COMPOSITION OF CENTRAL DISTRICT HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	10,742	100.0	8,728	23.1
Family	37.6	4,037	45.5	3,971	1.7
Married couple	28.6	3,073	35.8	3,121	- 1.4
with children under 18	9.6	1,035	14.7	1,281	- 19.2
Other family	9.0	964	9.7	850	13.4
Male householder	2.8	303	2.8	243	24.6
with children under 18	0.5	53	0.2	20	165.0
Female householder	6.1	661	7.0	607	8.9
with children under 18	2.0	218	1.8	161	35.4
Non-family	62.4	6,705	54.5	4,757	41.0
One Person	52.9	5,684			
Male Householder	24.7	2,655		2,479	
Female Householder	28.2	3,029		2,278	
65 years or more	11.9	1,274			
Two or More Persons	9.5	1,021			
Male Householder	5.4	576			
Female Householder	4.1	445			
65 years or more	0.3	37			

OURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

OTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 40

COMPOSITION OF BACK BAY AND BEACON HILL HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	16,543	100.0	14,465	14.4
Family	20.3	3,354	23.0	3,326	8.4
Married couple	16.2	2,672	18.7	2,710	- 1.4
with children under 18	3.4	556	4.1	595	- 6.5
Other family	4.1	682	4.3	616	10.7
Male householder	1.3	209	0.9	136	53.7
with children under 18	0.2	35	0.1	21	66.7
Female householder	2.9	473	3.3	480	- 1.5
with children under 18	1.1	176	0.7	100	76.0
Non-family	79.7	13,189	77.0	11,139	18.4
One Person	62.7	10,376			
Male Householder	30.6	5,058		5,131	
Female Householder	32.1	5,318		6,008	
65 years or more	7.7	1,278			
Two or More Persons	17.0	2,813			
Male Householder	9.8	1,629			
Female Householder	7.2	1,184			
65 years or more	0.5	89			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 41

COMPOSITION OF SOUTH END HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980 Percent
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	12,008	100.0	8,970	33.9
Family	39.6	4,754	43.4	3,890	22.2
Married couple	22.4	2,693	27.9	2,504	7.5
with children under 18	11.4	1,364	13.5	1,209	12.8
Other family	17.2	2,061	15.5	1,386	48.7
Male householder	3.1	375	2.8	250	50.0
with children under 18	1.1	129	0.8	68	89.7
Female householder	14.0	1,686	12.7	1,136	48.4
with children under 18	10.6	1,269	8.2	740	71.5
Non-family	60.4	7,254	56.6	5,080	42.8
One Person	48.2	5,792			
Male Householder	27.9	3,347		2,775	
Female Householder	20.4	2,445		2,305	
65 years or more	10.3	1,238			
Two or More Persons	12.2	1,462			
Male Householder	8.6	1,027			
Female Householder	3.6	435			
65 years or more	0.6	67			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 42

COMPOSITION OF FENWAY-KENMORE HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-198
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Chang
All Occupied Households	100.0	11,392	100.0	12,288	- 7.3
Family	15.5	1,768	23.6	2,901	- 39.1
Married couple	10.0	1,144	17.5	2,145	- 46.7
with children under 18	2.5	281	4.2	515	- 45.4
Other family	5.5	624	6.2	756	- 17.5
Male householder	1.7	198	1.5	183	8.2
with children under 18	0.3	30	0.2	24	25.0
Female householder	3.7	426	4.7	573	- 25.7
with children under 18	1.7	195	1.4	173	12.7
Non-family	84.5	9,624	76.4	9,387	2.5
One Person	59.9	6,820			
Male Householder	30.7	3,495		4,156	
Female Householder	29.2	3,325		5,231	
65 years or more	11.0	1,248			
Two or More Persons	24.6	2,804			
Male Householder	14.7	1,675			
Female Householder	9.9	1,129			
65 years or more	0.6	63			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 43

COMPOSITION OF ALLSTON-BRIGHTON HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980 Percent Change
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	
All Occupied Households	100.0	31,366	100.0	24,544	27.8
Family	33.4	10,479	53.9	13,218	- 20.7
Married couple	23.9	7,497	41.5	10,188	- 26.4
with children under 18	8.7	2,731	16.6	4,067	- 32.9
Other family	9.5	2,982	12.3	3,030	- 1.6
Male householder	2.1	669	2.6	649	3.1
with children under 18	0.4	138	0.3	82	68.3
Female householder	7.4	2,313	9.7	2,381	- 2.9
with children under 18	3.0	933	3.1	764	22.1
Non-family	66.6	20,887	46.1	11,326	84.4
One Person	46.0	14,443			
Male Householder	13.2	4,154		3,762	
Female Householder	22.9	7,170		7,564	
65 years or more	9.9	3,119			
Two or More Persons	20.5	6,444			
Male Householder	9.3	2,925			
Female Householder	10.8	3,399			
65 years or more	0.4	120			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 44

COMPOSITION OF JAMAICA PLAIN HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-198
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	14,443	100.0	15,898	- 9.1
Family	56.2	8,118	66.2	10,530	- 22.2
Married couple	31.4	4,538	44.2	7,026	- 35.4
with children under 18	15.0	2,162	21.1	3,356	- 35.6
Other family	24.8	3,580	22.0	3,504	2.2
Male householder	3.9	562	3.4	545	3.1
with children under 18	1.5	212	0.7	109	94.5
Female householder	20.9	3,018	18.6	2,959	1.9
with children under 18	14.1	2,034	10.4	1,653	23.0
Non-family	43.8	6,325	33.8	5,368	17.8
One Person	31.2	4,510			
Male Householder	12.6	1,817		1,973	
Female Householder	18.6	2,693		3,395	
65 years or more	9.9	1,436			
Two or More Persons	12.6	1,815			
Male Householder	7.0	1,004			
Female Householder	5.6	811			
65 years or more	0.5	75			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 45

COMPOSITION OF ROXBURY HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	19,945	100.0	22,012	- 9.4
Family	65.9	13,147	73.4	16,156	- 18.6
Married couple	27.7	5,531	43.4	9,550	- 42.1
with children under 18	15.8	3,149	25.4	5,581	- 43.6
Other family	38.2	7,616	30.0	6,606	15.3
Male householder	4.4	881	3.6	786	12.1
with children under 18	2.2	433	1.4	303	42.9
Female householder	33.8	6,735	26.4	5,820	15.7
with children under 18	27.5	5,482	20.6	4,532	20.9
Non-family	34.1	6,798	26.6	5,856	16.1
One Person	29.1	5,799			
Male Householder	13.1	2,616		2,364	
Female Householder	16.0	3,183		3,492	
65 years or more	7.5	1,497			
Two or More Persons	5.0	990			
Male Householder	3.0	601			
Female Householder	2.0	398			
65 years or more	0.5	97			

OURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

OTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 46
COMPOSITION OF NORTH DORCHESTER HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-198 Percent Chang
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	
All Occupied Households	100.0	8,357	100.0	9,856	- 15.3
Family	66.7	5,570	76.8	7,565	- 26.4
Married couple	39.5	3,298	52.6	5,189	- 36.4
with children under 18	20.6	1,723	29.8	2,935	- 41.3
Other family	27.2	2,272	24.1	2,376	- 4.4
Male householder	4.5	374	3.7	367	1.9
with children under 18	1.5	128	0.9	84	52.4
Female householder	22.7	1,898	20.4	2,009	- 5.5
with children under 18	15.1	1,261	12.1	1,193	5.7
Non-family	33.3	2,787	23.2	2,291	21.7
One Person	28.1	2,348			
Male Householder	12.1	1,008		797	
Female Householder	16.0	1,340		1,494	
65 years or more	10.0	837			
Two or More Persons	5.3	439			
Male Householder	3.1	258			
Female Householder	2.2	181			
65 years or more	0.5	44			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 47

COMPOSITION OF SOUTH DORCHESTER HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	19,866	100.0	22,248	- 10.7
Family	69.3	13,772	80.2	17,842	- 22.8
Married couple	42.5	8,440	57.8	12,855	- 34.3
with children under 18	23.1	4,582	31.9	7,108	- 35.5
Other family	26.8	5,332	22.4	4,987	6.9
Male householder	4.8	962	4.3	949	1.4
with children under 18	1.7	339	0.9	205	65.4
Female householder	22.0	4,370	18.1	4,038	8.2
with children under 18	14.3	2,845	8.5	1,882	51.2
Non-family	30.7	6,094	19.8	4,406	38.3
One Person	26.0	5,160			
Male Householder	10.1	1,997		1,322	
Female Householder	15.9	3,163		3,084	
65 years or more	10.4	2,066			
Two or More Persons	4.7	934			
Male Householder	3.1	613			
Female Householder	1.6	321			
65 years or more	0.4	79			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 48

COMPOSITION OF ROSLINDALE HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-198
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Chang
All Occupied Households	100.0	11,497	100.0	11,999	- 4.2
Family	70.8	8,137	81.1	9,727	- 16.4
Married couple	49.5	5,691	62.9	7,549	- 24.6
with children under 18	23.1	2,661	32.2	3,868	- 31.2
Other family	21.3	2,446	18.2	2,178	12.3
Male householder	4.0	463	3.4	411	12.7
with children under 18	1.0	116	0.6	75	54.7
Female householder	17.2	1,983	14.7	1,767	12.2
with children under 18	8.8	1,013	5.6	671	51.0
Non-family	29.2	3,360	18.9	2,272	47.9
One Person	25.7	2,952			
Male Householder	7.3	834		506	
Female Householder	18.4	2,118		1,766	
65 years or more	12.7	1,460			
Two or More Persons	3.5	408			
Male Householder	1.3	155			
Female Householder	2.2	253			
65 years or more	0.4	49			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 49

COMPOSITION OF WEST ROXBURY HOUSEHOLDS:
1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980 Percent Change
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	
All Occupied Households	100.0	12,053	100.0	10,909	10.5
Family	67.6	8,151	82.8	9,033	- 9.7
Married couple	52.6	6,345	68.3	7,454	- 14.9
with children under 18	20.3	2,444	31.3	3,416	- 28.5
Other family	15.0	1,806	14.5	1,579	14.4
Male householder	3.2	385	3.4	367	4.9
with children under 18	0.4	52	0.4	49	6.1
Female householder	11.8	1,421	11.1	1,212	17.2
with children under 18	3.2	383	2.6	288	33.0
on-family	32.4	3,902	17.2	1,876	108.0
One Person	28.0	3,378			
Male Householder	7.0	845		422	
Female Householder	21.0	2,533		1,454	
65 years or more	14.9	1,793			
Two or More Persons	4.3	524			
Male Householder	2.1	257			
Female Householder	2.2	267			
65 years or more	0.4	47			

URCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

TE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 50

COMPOSITION OF HYDE PARK HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-198
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	10,581	100.0	10,485	0.9
Family	73.3	7,758	84.3	8,834	- 12.2
Married couple	54.2	5,731	70.5	7,397	- 22.5
with children under 18	25.4	2,687	37.6	3,946	- 31.9
Other family	19.2	2,027	13.7	1,441	40.7
Male householder	3.8	400	3.2	340	17.7
with children under 18	1.1	114	0.6	68	67.7
Female householder	15.4	1,627	10.5	1,101	47.8
with children under 18	7.8	824	4.2	444	85.6
Non-family	26.7	2,823	15.7	1,647	71.4
One Person	23.2	2,457			
Male Householder	8.2	869		519	
Female Householder	15.0	1,588		1,128	
65 years or more	9.8	1,039			
Two or More Persons	3.5	366			
Male Householder	2.0	216			
Female Householder	1.4	150			
65 years or more	0.3	29			

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

NOTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

Table 51

COMPOSITION OF MATTAPAN HOUSEHOLDS: 1970 and 1980

	1980		1970		1970-1980
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Change
All Occupied Households	100.0	11,578	100.0	13,760	- 15.9
Family	73.1	8,463	80.6	11,097	- 23.7
Married couple	38.1	4,412	57.0	7,847	- 43.8
with children under 18	23.1	2,678	30.2	4,152	- 35.5
Other family	35.0	4,051	23.6	3,250	24.7
Male householder	5.4	631	3.2	434	45.5
with children under 18	2.9	334	0.8	115	190.4
Female householder	29.5	3,420	20.5	2,816	21.5
with children under 18	23.5	2,722	13.9	1,906	42.8
Non-family	26.9	3,115	19.4	2,663	17.0
One Person	22.1	2,562			
Male Householder	9.8	1,135		813	
Female Householder	12.3	1,427		1,850	
65 years or more	4.5	516			
Two or More Persons	4.8	553			
Male Householder	3.0	344			
Female Householder	1.8	209			
65 years or more	0.3	29			

OURCE: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF 1, 1980 and First Count, 1970.

OTE: The 1970 U.S. Census gives information for nonfamily households by sex, but does not separate single persons from two or more person households.

III. Labor Force

Education

The amount of education an individual has received is an important dete minant of the opportunities available to him or her throughout life, particularly in the workplace. The educational attainment of adults aged 25 years or older is both an important measure of the educational level of the population and a key to understanding labor force characteristics. The chang that occurred in this measure between 1970 and 1980 is significant, as seen i Tables 52 through 55.

In general, there was a significant decline in the numbers and proportio of the population with less than a high school education, stability in the proportion of high school graduates, and a noteworthy increase in those with college level education. In 1970, 26 percent of Boston's adults had an elementary education or less. By 1980, this proportion was reduced to less than 17 percent. Similarly, the proportion with 1-3 years of high school declined from 20 to 15 percent. In the pivotal category, high school graduates, the proportion edged upward to 35 percent from 34 percent. Adults 25 years or older, with some college, increased by two-thirds between 1970 and 1980, from 19 percent to 33 percent. More significantly, the proportion of those who had completed four years of college or had gone on to graduate study doubled to 20 percent. These remarkable changes were reflected in most of Boston's neighborhoods. Moreover, they provide important background information for understanding the transformation of Boston's workforce.

There had been a dramatic increase in the educational attainment of adults in all neighborhoods. However, great disparity remained between the neighborhoods with regard to attainment in 1980. For instance, 62 percent of Back Bay-Beacon Hill residents completed 4 years or more of college. This was true for 41 percent of the residents in Fenway-Kenmore, 34 percent of those in

Central, and 33 percent of Allston-Brighton residents. At the other end of the spectrum, very small proportions of residents had completed at least four years of college in East Boston (5 percent), South Boston (7 percent), Roxbury, Mattapan and North Dorchester (8 percent each).

Again, examining the proportions of neighborhood residents 25 years or older who had at least graduated from high school, whether or not they went on to college, uncovered important disparities. The proportions with a high school degree or more in 1980 were highest for Back Bay-Beacon Hill (94 percent), Fenway-Kenmore (85 percent), and for Allston-Brighton and West Roxbury (79 percent each). The proportion declined to about two-thirds for most neighborhoods. At the low end were East Boston (48 percent) and Roxbury (55 percent).

The reasons for these disparities were several. Some areas, such as Back Bay-Beacon Hill, West Roxbury and Allston-Brighton, had high proportions of residents with at least a high school diploma from which to build in 1970. Fenway-Kenmore advanced rapidly because of an increase in young adults pursuing careers and education beyond the undergraduate level. This was important for Central and the South End also. Other neighborhoods like East Boston and Roxbury simply lagged the city-wide average in both 1970 and 1980. Such neighborhoods may have had high proportions of immigrants, either long term residents or newcomers, who lacked the opportunity for education in their homeland. Others have residents who were unable to pursue education for other reasons. The labor force participation, occupational distribution, and income levels of these neighborhoods reflected this.

Participation, Employment, Unemployment, Workers Per Family

A detailed review of Boston's labor force from the Census showed size o the labor force, participation rates, counts of the employed and unemployed, unemployment rates, and number of workers per family. In addition, these characteristics were analyzed separately for neighborhoods by sex, and for racial groups. Some highlights of findings showed that the Boston female lab force participation rate continued to climb, unemployment rates were higher f blacks and hispanics than other racial groups, and many neighborhoods were showing significant numbers of two-worker family households.

Boston residents in the civilian labor force in 1980 numbered nearly 273,000 in 1980, a decline of only 2 percent from Boston's 279,000 civilian workers in 1970 despite a 12 percent population loss. The labor force was comprised of 256,000 employed and about 17,000 unemployed residents. The lab force participation rate of those aged 16 years and over rose somewhat from 58.5 percent to 60.0 percent, increasing the already high participation rate. Female participation rose from 47.8 percent to 52.7 percent, while participation among males declined from 72.0 percent to 68.5 percent. Boston' labor force participation rate was slightly below those for the metropolitan area, state and nation because of the larger number of students and elderly in the adult population and the greater share of minority population.

Tables 56 and 57 indicate participation and unemployment rates for Boston's neighborhoods. The highest participation rates were recorded in 1980 for Back Bay-Beacon Hill (71 percent) and Central (69 percent). Other neighborhoods with above average participation were Hyde Park, the South End, Mattapan, Allston-Brighton, and Charlestown. Twelve of the sixteen neighborhoods had higher participation rates in 1980 than in 1970, with the largest increases in Central, Mattapan, and South End. Participation rates declined in East Boston, South Boston, Roxbury, and Roslindale.

Boston's unemployment rate in April 1980, when the Census was conducted, stood at 6.1 percent. This rate was about 75 percent greater than the 3.5 percent unemployment rate registered in the 1970 Census, reflecting the generally higher U.S. unemployment rates left over after the 1974-1975 recession. In addition, unemployment rates were higher for all but two of Boston neighborhoods in 1980 than in 1970; the only exceptions were the South End and Fenway-Kenmore. Roxbury and Mattapan had the highest unemployment rates at 10.1 and 8.7 percent, respectively. The greatest rise in unemployment rates over the decade occurred in Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, North Dorchester, South Dorchester, Mattapan and Hyde Park. Lowest unemployment rates were registered in Back Bay and West Roxbury at 3.6 percent and 3.9 percent, respectively.

Tables 58 through 61 show that selected racial and hispanic groups had somewhat different participation rates. Asians and Pacific Islanders ranked the highest with 63.8 percent of those 16 and over in the labor force. White participation was slightly above average at 60.5 percent. Black participation was slightly below average at 59.1 percent across the City. Hispanic participation lagged behind the other groups with 53.6 percent of adults in the labor force, perhaps due to lower participation by women.

Unemployment rates for racial and hispanic groups also showed considerable differences citywide and among neighborhoods. Rates for racial groups citywide from lowest to highest in 1980 were: 5.1 percent for Asians, 5.2 percent for whites, 9.2 percent for blacks, and 9.9 percent for hispanics. For the three neighborhoods with the largest Asian population, (Central (Chinatown), Allston-Brighton and the South End), Central had the highest unemployment rate The neighborhoods with greatest white unemployment (over 6 percent) were East Boston, Charlestown, Roxbury, and South Boston. For blacks, unemployment was significantly higher (over 10 percent) in Roxbury, Dorchester, and Mattapan. Unemployment for hispanics was over 11 percent in Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, and Dorchester.

Participation rates for racial and hispanic groups varied considerably by neighborhoods. A number of factors affected participation rates. The age structure was important. Areas with sizable concentrations of young adults 25-44 years, the ages of highest labor force participation, tended to have higher participation rates. Areas with large proportions of retirees or college students tended to have lower rates of participation. Other characteristics such as education, marital status and household type, explained many of the differences. The latter were especially important in the participation of women.[3]

Table 62 shows neighborhood differences in the number of workers in family households. About half of Boston's families contained two workers in 1980. This is indicative of the high labor force participation of women, although the sex of neither worker is known. It represents the overall higher participation rates engendered by increased education, smaller families, and the need for a second income to make ends meet. In Back Bay-Beacon Hill, 63 percent of families had two workers. This is not surprising given the large number of young adult couples with high socio-economic status who reside there. Hyde Park, West Roxbury, Allston-Brighton, South End, Central and Roslindale were notably above average. Roxbury had the lowest proportion of two-earner families, probably because of the high proportion of single parent families, seen in Table 32. Yet a similarly high proportion of single parent families in Mattapan did not act as a deterrent.

---

[3] The labor force is comprised of all adults (16+ years old) who are either employed (full time or part time) or "officially" unemployed (out of work and looking for work in the previous four weeks). All other individuals are not in the labor force, that is not classified as either employed or unemployed. This group includes students, the retired, homemakers, the disabled, discouraged workers not looking for work and the voluntarily idle. The labor force participation rate is the ratio of people in the labor force as a percent of total adult population. As such, the labor force participation rate is a measure of the magnitude of the adult workforce. Traditionally, labor force participation rates are higher in the New England region than for the nation as a whole because there are more women participating.

Between a quarter and a third of the families in all the neighborhoods had a single wage earner, averaging out to 32 percent for Boston as a whole. Some 19 percent of Boston families contain no workers. While some proportion of these were the families of retirees, 19 percent was far above the statewide Massachusetts share (12 percent) of families without wage earners. Of Boston's neighborhoods, only Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Hyde Park were not significantly above the state-wide average. On the other hand, over one-quarter of Fenway-Kenmore and Roxbury families were without a wage earner. While Fenway-Kenmore may have had a significant number of student families, Roxbury and the other neighborhoods with a high proportion of workerless families, including Jamaica Plain (24 percent), South Boston (22 percent) and East Boston (20 percent), did not. Workerless families showed one way in which the economic slowdown of the mid- and late-1970s impacted families in 1980, especially minority families, as was seen in low labor force participation rates and higher than average unemployment rates for these neighborhoods. Workerless families were also higher in areas, such as South Boston and East Boston where a high proportion of the population was of retirement age and a substantial proportion of families counted transfer payments and Social Security as their largest source of income.[4]

Industry

The number of employed Boston residents declined by only 4 percent from 266,505 in 1970 to 256,097 workers in 1980. However, Tables 63, 65 and 67, show that employment by industry changed considerably during this period. The proportion of workers employed in construction, manufacturing, communications, and wholesale and retail trade declined. Employment gains were registered in finance, insurance and real estate; business and repair services; professional and health services; educational services; and public administration. The largest gain, some 30 percent, occurred in employment in education, followed by a 20 percent gain in related professional, and health services. The net result was that in 1980, 46 percent of Boston's workers were employed in finance, business, health, education and professional services industries of all kinds compared to 38 percent in 1970.

In general, neighborhood proportions employed in the various industries followed the city-wide average. The one exception was in wholesale and retail trade where gains were registered for Central and Fenway-Kenmore residents, coupled with sharp drops for Roxbury and Mattapan. This reflected, in part, the changing character of trade in the city away from small neighborhood establishments and in part the hard times of the 1970's which closed doors to entry level jobs in trade.

---

[4] Margaret C. O'Brien, "Boston and Its Neighborhoods", Research Department, Boston Redevelopment Authority, May 1982, Table II-14.

Participation in finance, business, health, educational and other professional services has increased rapidly for all the neighborhoods. Job growth has occurred in these sectors and probably will continue in the decade ahead. As of 1980, 60 percent of Back Bay-Beacon Hill residents were employed in these sectors. In Fenway-Kenmore, Allston-Brighton, and Jamaica Plain over 50 percent of residents worked in these sectors. Lagging behind the city-wide average were East Boston and South Boston at 31 percent. Hyde Park and North Dorchester also had less than 40 percent of their workers employed in these sectors. This may indicate prevailing skills, opportunities and attitudes that will carry over into or change in the future.

Occupation

During the Seventies a shift occurring within the occupational structure paralleled that in the industrial structure. The number of workers in professional, technical and managerial occupations grew by 30 percent from some 60,000 in 1970 to 78,000 in 1980. This group accounted for over 30 percent of Boston's employed workers at the decade's end. Sales and service workers grew also to 7.3 percent and 18.4 percent of Boston's workers, respectively. However, the numbers and percentages of workers in all other categories declined, including administrative support, craftsmen and foremen, operatives, transportation operatives and laborers. Clerical employees declined from 27 percent to 23 percent of the employed labor force, while employees in the remaining occupations fell from 28 percent to 21 percent of the total. These trends, documented in Tables 68 through 71, indicate that the employment trend of several decades toward professional and services occupations, and away from manufacturing and transportation, has continued. While the manufacturing job base of Boston has been eroding for some time, white collar occupations have boomed. There is some speculation that outmigrants during the 1970s may have included disproportionate numbers of blue collar workers and their families. Others may have retired or changed occupations. An additional factor is a labor force that is now 48 percent female, up from 46 percent in 1970.

Generally, the changes in occupational distribution in the neighborhoods have paralleled those of the city as a whole. However, a number of neighborhoods have undergone unique or noteworthy changes. For instance, 57 percent of Back Bay-Beacon Hill workers had professional, technical, or managerial occupations by 1980. Over one-third of Central, South End, Fenway-Kenmore, Allston-Brighton, and West Roxbury's employed were in this category as well. The most noteworthy increases in the proportion of professional, etc., workers occurred over the decade in Central (25 to 44 percent), Charlestown (12 to 26 percent), and Roxbury (14 to 20 percent). While the gentrification of Central and Charlestown has been well documented, there has been a significant growth in professionals and administrative suppor personnel in Roxbury, despite Roxbury's lower than average proportion in this group.

As the professional, technical, and managerial occupations have captured larger share of Boston's resident work force, other occupational groups have declined in importance. The most notable examples were in Central and South End where losses of craftsmen, operatives, transportation operatives, laborers and even service workers, contrary to the city-wide trend, have far exceeded Boston averages. For Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Fenway-Kenmore residents, clerical occupations declined dramatically in importance. The shares of craftsmen, operatives and laborers have declined sharply in Charlestown and West Roxbury. While a severe proportional loss in operatives occurred in Roxbury, both Roxbury and Mattapan showed a rapid gain in services workers. For the other neighborhoods occupational change has been more gradual.

Full-Time and Part-Time Employment

Tables 72 through 80 give data on the work history of Boston resident workers during 1979. Because these numbers refer to the work experience during an entire year rather than one week, as the data for 1980 do, the number of workers and unemployed are larger than those for 1980.

Tables 72 and 73 show statistics on full-time and part-time workers by number of weeks worked and average number of hours worked per week. Of the 300,779 workers in 1979, some 49 percent worked 35 or more hours during 50-52 weeks of the year. An additional 9 percent worked full-time during 40-49 weeks. The sum of these two numbers, some 58 percent, might be considered full-time workers, since many have longer vacations and/or shorter work years, such as teachers.

The proportion of full-time workers is lower than one might expect. For instance, 49 percent worked 35 hours for 50 weeks, compared to the statewide proportion of 53 percent. Therefore, it seems important to know why Boston workers are less likely to work full-time. Since females were less likely to work full-time and they made up a larger fraction of Boston's workers (47.8 percent) than of Massachusetts' workers (45.5 percent), it might be surmised that they contributed to a lower proportion of 35 hour/50 week workers in the City. However, this is not the case because Boston's female workers were more likely to work full-time (43.3 percent) than were female workers resident throughout Massachusetts (40.1 percent). Therefore, Boston part-time female workers contributed a smaller proportion of part-time to all workers (27.1 percent) than was true statewide (27.3 percent).

Therefore, the excess of part-time workers in the City was due to males, some 54.3 percent of whom worked full-time compared to 63.8 percent of males statewide. While it is impossible to state with precision the contribution of various factors to higher part-time employment for males, Census data enable the identification of both important and unimportant factors. Elderly part-time workers do not appear to contribute to the differences in that a smalle percentage of males over 65 years in Boston work than is the case throughout Massachusetts. The major contributors are a higher proportion of college students, who might hold part-time jobs year round or in the summer months, a higher unemployment among Boston males than among all Massachusetts male workers. Twenty-one percent of Boston's males were unemployed for part of 19 versus 15.8 percent of those in Massachusetts. Additionally, the largest differences in unemployment experience between city and state in 1979 were fo hispanic males (23.4 percent versus 15.8 percent) and for whites (19.7 percen versus 15.5 percent), with whites and hispanics being partially overlapping groups. These differences in unemployment during 1979 were smaller for black American Indians, and Asian and Pacific Islanders.

Analysis of full-time and part-time workers by neighborhoods corroborates these suppositions about the reasons for higher part-time employment in Boston Workers resident in Fenway-Kenmore are least likely to work 35 hours/50 weeks year. In 1979, 20.8 percent of males, 17.7 percent of females, and an average of 19.3 percent of both sexes worked full-time. Other areas with lower than average proportions of full-time employees included Allston-Brighton (40.2 percent), Back Bay-Beacon Hill (48.5 percent), and Jamaica Plain (46.2 percent). The first two neighborhoods have sizable concentrations of students while Jamaica Plain contains a large number of hispanic persons. In the remaining neighborhoods, the proportion of full-time workers approaches or surpasses that for Massachusetts, indicating that lower full-time employment is largely limited to certain areas of Boston and to certain sectors of the population.

When neighborhood participation by sex is examined, Roxbury and South End might be included with lower full-time worker areas due to the negative impact of unemployment on black males. Aside from very low full-time employment among Fenway-Kenmore and Allston-Brighton females, the proportion of female workers who are employed full-time varies among neighborhoods.

Place of Work

Three-fourths of Boston resident workers who reported their place of work in 1980 were employed within the City while one-fourth worked outside. The proportions varied widely among the neighborhoods, with over 80 percent of South Boston and Roxbury workers employed in Boston but only two-thirds of West Roxbury and Hyde Park workers. Accounting for these differences in Table 81 is difficult in that there is no clear relationship to education, occupation, industry, or unemployment. The most important factor appears to be location along Boston's border which makes work places outside of Boston very close for the workers of Allston-Brighton, West Roxbury, Hyde Park, and Charlestown.

Tables 82 and 83 indicate that nearly 30,000 workers or some 11.8 percent failed to report place of work. The neighborhoods with high proportions of workers not reporting place of work were Mattapan (20.6 percent), Central (19.8 percent), Roxbury (17.2 percent), South End (14.5 percent), Charlestown (14.3 percent), and North Dorchester (14.3 percent). Although most of these neighborhoods contain high numbers of minorities and new immigrants, this is not a single strong reason why place of work should not have been reported. One suspects that the factors of unemployment, part-time employment, multiple job sites (construction, repair services, etc.) or job changes have made this question more difficult to answer, despite Census instructions addressing these issues. In addition, some people may have been concerned with invasion of privacy.

In any case, those not reporting their workplace did not change the distribution of reported workplace by much. A clear majority of Boston workers worked in Boston with a significant minority working in suburban towns. Onl very small proportions work outside of the Boston metropolitan area or outsi of Massachusetts. It is unlikely that the workplaces of those not reporting would have altered this distribution significantly.

Travel Time to Work

The commuting time of Boston resident workers varied considerably. One-quarter of workers spent less than 15 minutes going to work, while one-third commuted for 15 to 30 minutes, another quarter for 30 to 45 minutes and the remainder for 45 minutes or longer.

There was also considerable variation in travel time to work among neighborhoods shown in Tables 84 and 85. Workers living in Central and Fenway-Kenmore had the shortest average commute, with 40 percent of workers spending less than 15 minutes traveling to work. Workers in Allston-Brighton and the southern neighborhoods tended to have the longest commutes. In Roxbury, South Dorchester, Mattapan, and Hyde Park, over 50 percent of workers traveled one-half hour or more. In addition, 15 percent of workers from Mattapan and 11 percent of workers in Hyde Park spent one hour or longer going to work.

Differences in travel times to work were related to a number of factors. Location of work outside the city was one reason. Certain occupational skills of workers, such as manufacturing, might have been in greater demand outside o Boston. Also, means of transportation to work, seen in Tables 86 and 87, was important. Neighborhoods, with a high proportion of walkers, such as Back Bay Central, and Fenway-Kenmore, tended to have short commuting times. Heavy use of public transportation probably lengthened the commute for Roxbury residents while reliance on automobiles was related to lengthy commutes in other neighborhoods.

Transportation to Work

Boston is a unique city in that more residents traveled to work on public transportation in 1980 than drove alone in their car. Public transportation moved some 84,000, or 34 percent of resident workers. Thirty-three percent traveled alone in a car, while another 14 percent carpooled. An additional 17 percent walked to work.

The predominant means of transportation to work varied by neighborhood. One-third or more of workers in most neighborhoods took public transportation. The exceptions were Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Central areas near downtown and the suburban-like areas of Roslindale, West Roxbury and Hyde Park. In Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Central, and Fenway-Kenmore, over 40 percent of workers walked to work nearby. Driving to work either alone or in a carpool predominated in a number of areas. Over 70 percent of West Roxbury and Hyde Park resident workers drove or were driven to work. The proportions approximated 60 percent in Mattapan and Roslindale, and some 50 percent in South Dorchester, East Boston, Jamaica Plain and Allston-Brighton. The high proportions of drivers and passengers in these areas reflected the distances they travel to work, work locations, and the quality of public transportation service in these neighborhoods.

Table 52

YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED BY PERSONS 25 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Planning Districts	Population Age 25 Yrs. & Over	Elementary 0-8 Yrs.	High School		College	
			1-3 Yrs.	4 Years	1-3 Yrs	4 Year Or Mor
East Boston	20,823	5,820	4,932	7,662	1,408	1,00
Charlestown	8,314	1,235	1,764	3,239	846	1,23
South Boston	19,403	3,962	3,498	8,862	1,733	1,34
Central	16,414	3,720	1,561	3,484	2,086	5,56
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	19,283	509	604	2,495	3,654	12,021
South End	16,567	3,596	2,037	3,819	2,228	4,887
Fenway-Kenmore	10,513	831	698	2,327	2,310	4,347
Allston-Brighton	37,155	4,450	3,517	11,240	5,699	12,249
Jamaica Plain	22,786	4,182	3,558	6,702	2,977	5,367
Roxbury	32,081	7,460	6,859	11,562	3,621	2,579
No. Dorchester	13,323	2,902	2,510	5,244	1,542	1,125
So. Dorchester	33,684	5,372	6,036	14,398	4,098	3,780
Mattapan	18,498	2,638	3,349	8,334	2,642	1,535
Roslindale	20,507	3,597	2,846	8,711	2,420	2,755
West Roxbury	21,860	2,089	2,448	8,967	3,491	4,865
Hyde Park	18,793	2,515	3,063	8,433	2,603	2,179
Planning District Total	330,004	54,878	49,280	115,479	43,358	66,831
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	349	21	38	107	22	161
City Total*	330,650	54,932	49,407	115,787	43,451	67,073

* Planning Districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing. Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R. S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 53

YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED BY PERSONS 25 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980, IN PERCENT

Planning Districts	Population Age 25 Yrs. & Over	Elementary 0-8 Yrs.	High School 1-3 Yrs.	High School 4 Years	College 1-3 Yrs	College 4 Years Or More
East Boston	20,823	27.9	23.7	36.8	6.8	4.8
Charlestown	8,314	14.9	21.2	39.0	10.2	14.8
South Boston	19,403	20.4	18.0	45.7	8.9	6.9
Central	16,414	22.7	9.5	21.2	12.7	33.9
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	19,283	2.6	3.1	12.9	18.9	62.3
South End	16,567	21.7	12.3	23.1	13.4	29.5
Fenway-Kenmore	10,513	7.9	6.6	22.1	22.0	41.3
Allston-Brighton	37,155	12.0	9.5	30.3	15.3	33.0
Jamaica Plain	22,786	18.4	15.6	29.4	13.1	23.6
Roxbury	32,081	23.3	21.4	36.0	11.3	8.0
No. Dorchester	13,323	21.8	18.8	39.4	11.6	8.4
So. Dorchester	33,684	15.9	17.9	42.7	12.2	11.2
Mattapan	18,498	14.3	18.1	45.1	14.3	8.3
Roslindale	20,507	17.5	13.9	42.5	11.8	13.4
West Roxbury	21,860	9.6	11.2	41.0	16.0	22.3
Hyde Park	18,793	13.4	16.3	44.9	13.9	11.6
Planning District Total	330,004	16.6	14.9	35.0	13.1	20.3
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	349	6.0	10.9	30.7	6.3	46.1
City Total*	330,650	16.6	14.9	35.0	13.1	20.3

* Totals may not sum exactly to 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing. Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R. S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 54

TOTAL BOSTON 1970 POPULATION 25 YEARS OLD AND OVER BY YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED

Planning Districts	Total Population 25 & over	No School Years Completed	Elementary School			High School			College Level			
			Total	1-7 Years	8 Years	Total	1 - 3	4 Years	Total	1 - 3	4 Years	5 or More
East Boston	22,420	1,057	7,356	4,299	3,057	12,392	6,028	6,364	1,615	1,040	324	251
Charlestown	8,291	155	2,074	1,050	1,024	5,356	2,320	3,036	706	382	201	123
South Boston	21,966	579	6,173	2,988	3,185	13,247	5,724	7,523	1,967	967	534	466
Central	11,439	728	4,122	3,002	1,120	4,167	1,870	2,297	2,422	888	654	880
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	16,635	131	1,166	679	487	5,223	1,291	3,932	10,115	3,159	3,316	3,640
South End	14,486	436	5,232	3,312	1,920	6,216	2,877	3,339	2,602	1,068	593	941
Fenway-Kenmore	12,598	165	2,021	1,075	946	5,693	1,882	3,811	4,719	1,921	1,142	1,656
Allston-Brighton	35,387	752	6,328	3,235	3,093	17,827	5,721	12,106	10,480	4,298	2,819	3,363
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	25,868	506	6,441	3,417	3,024	13,153	5,288	7,865	5,768	2,395	1,453	1,920
Washington Park-Model City	34,813	849	10,562	6,570	3,992	19,691	8,463	11,228	3,711	2,336	769	606
Washington Park	9,998	165	2,457	1,462	995	6,061	2,320	3,741	1,315	889	253	173
Campus High	938	27	311	185	126	501	303	198	99	58	10	31
Model City	23,877	657	7,794	4,923	2,871	13,129	5,840	7,289	2,297	1,389	506	402
Dorchester	81,162	2,000	18,889	9,039	9,850	50,136	18,650	31,486	10,137	6,059	2,386	1,692
Dorchester 1	16,865	425	4,643	2,288	2,355	10,245	4,348	5,897	1,552	945	327	280
Dorchester 2	40,263	591	9,027	4,129	4,898	25,418	9,255	16,163	5,227	3,109	1,204	914
Mattapan	24,034	984	5,219	2,622	2,597	14,473	5,047	9,426	3,358	2,005	855	498
Roslindale	23,453	630	5,283	2,668	2,615	13,895	4,282	9,613	3,645	1,849	985	811
West Roxbury	20,946	420	2,980	1,470	1,510	11,671	2,909	8,762	5,875	2,684	1,678	1,513
Hyde Park	20,168	354	3,646	1,814	1,832	12,874	3,971	8,903	3,294	1,792	850	652
Planning District Total	349,632	8,762	82,273	44,618	37,655	191,541	71,276	120,265	67,056	30,838	17,704	18,514
Harbor Islands	932	6	541	413	128	320	235	85	65	38	5	22
Crews of Vessels		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
City Total	350,564	8,768	82,814	45,031	37,783	191,861	71,511	120,350	67,121	30,876	17,709	18,536

SOURCE: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, Fourth Count Summary Tape; Tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, B.R.A. Research Department.

Table 55

PERCENT COMPOSITION OF BOSTON 1970 POPULATION 25 YEARS OLD AND OVER BY YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED

Planning District	Total	No School Years Completed	Some Elementary Years Completed	Some High School Completed	College Completed
East Boston	100.0	4.7	32.8	55.3	7.2
Charlestown	100.0	1.9	25.0	64.6	8.5
South Boston	100.0	2.6	28.1	60.3	9.0
Central	100.0	6.4	36.1	36.4	21.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	.8	7.0	31.4	60.8
South End	100.0	3.0	36.1	42.9	18.0
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	1.3	16.0	45.2	37.5
Allston-Brighton	100.0	2.1	17.9	50.4	29.6
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	100.0	2.0	24.9	50.8	22.3
Washington Park-Model City	100.0	2.4	30.3	56.6	10.7
Washington Park	100.0	1.6	24.6	60.6	13.2
Campus High	100.0	2.9	33.2	53.4	10.5
Model City	100.0	2.8	32.6	55.0	9.6
Dorchester	100.0	2.4	23.3	61.8	12.5
Dorchester 1	100.0	2.5	27.5	60.8	9.2
Dorchester 2	100.0	1.5	22.4	63.1	13.0
Mattapan	100.0	4.1	21.7	60.2	14.0
Roslindale	100.0	2.7	22.5	59.3	15.5
West Roxbury	100.0	2.0	14.2	55.7	28.1
Hyde Park	100.0	1.8	18.1	63.8	16.3
Planning District Totals	100.0	2.5	23.5	54.8	19.2
Harbor Islands	100.0	.7	58.0	34.3	7.0
Crews of Vessels	-	-	-	-	-
City Totals	100.0	2.5	23.6	54.7	19.2

Table 56

LABOR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS AGE 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

	Total Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate	Labor Force Participation Rate[1]	Not in Labor Force
East Boston	14,547	13,477	1,070	7.4	56.0	11,481
Charlestown	6,462	5,965	497	7.7	60.9	4,200
South Boston	12,843	11,983	860	6.7	52.4	11,679
Central	13,077	12,317	760	5.8	68.9	6,279
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	19,857	19,149	708	3.6	70.8	8,191
South End	12,839	12,173	666	5.2	63.5	7,450
Fenway-Kenmore	16,167	15,447	720	4.5	54.2	13,665
Allston-Brighton	36,744	34,994	1,750	4.8	62.2	22,380
Jamaica Plain	18,138	16,992	1,146	6.3	58.5	12,893
Roxbury	23,417	21,056	2,359	10.1	53.9	20,046
North Dorchester	10,369	9,626	743	7.2	58.4	7,380
South Dorchester	27,193	25,492	1,791	6.6	59.2	18,786
Mattapan	14,681	13,406	1,275	8.7	63.1	8,592
Roslindale	15,174	14,317	857	5.7	58.3	10,864
West Roxbury	15,907	15,289	618	3.9	59.7	10,737
Hyde Park	15,366	14,439	927	6.0	64.5	8,507
Planning District	272,781	256,122	16,747	6.1	60.0	183,130
City Totals*	272,794	256,047	16,747	6.1	60.0	183,678

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

[1] A small number of military personnel are included in this rate.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

R/2/16/84 MO'

DISTRIBUTION OF BOSTON'S CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT FOR 1970

	Total Civilian Labor Force	Percent Distribution of Labor Force	Labor Force Participation Rate	Employed	Unemployed	Percent Unemployed
East Boston	16,345	5.9	58.1	15,575	770	4.7
Charlestown	6,082	2.2	59.3	5,787	295	4.9
South Boston	15,202	5.5	56.0	14,439	763	5.0
Central	8,868	3.2	62.4	8,402	466	5.3
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	19,909	7.1	68.0	19,332	577	2.9
South End	10,177	3.7	57.3	9,515	662	6.5
Fenway-Kenmore	16,860	6.0	53.6	16,003	857	5.1
Allston-Brighton	32,406	11.6	61.3	31,057	1,349	4.2
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	19,511	7.0	55.5	18,727	784	4.0
Washington Park-Model City	24,771	8.9	54.7	23,215	1,556	6.3
Washington Park	7,257	2.6	56.0	6,799	458	6.3
Campus High	565	.2	46.7	508	57	10.1
Model City	16,949	6.1	54.4	15,908	1,041	6.1
Dorchester	60,738	21.8		58,308	2,430	4.0
North Dorchester	12,510	4.5	57.6	11,937	573	4.6
South Dorchester	30,161	10.8	59.1	29,032	1,129	3.7
Mattapan	18,067	6.5	59.0	17,339	728	4.0
Roslindale	17,071	6.1	58.9	16,453	618	3.6
West Roxbury	14,916	5.4	58.6	14,509	407	2.7
Hyde Park	15,629	5.6	61.9	15,088	541	3.5
Harbor Islands	95		7.9	95		
City Totals	278,607	100.0	58.5	266,505	12,102	4.3

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, General Social and Economic Characteristics, 1970.

Table 58

LABOR FORCE STATUS OF WHITE PERSONS, AGED 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Planning Districts	Total Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (%)	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	Not in Labor Force
East Boston	7,377	6,752	625	8.5	53.3	6,477
Charlestown	6,043	5,571	472	7.8	60.4	4,018
South Boston	6,816	6,395	421	6.2	51.7	6,369
Central	8,409	7,933	476	5.7	71.2	3,660
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	18,702	18,079	623	3.3	71.9	7,312
South End	7,061	6,857	204	2.9	68.5	3,268
Fenway-Kenmore	13,342	12,740	602	4.5	54.0	11,364
Allston-Brighton	33,120	31,513	1,607	4.9	62.2	20,150
Jamaica Plain	13,108	12,561	547	4.2	59.6	8,900
Roxbury	2,516	2,323	193	7.7	48.6	2,675
North Dorchester	7,974	7,529	445	5.6	59.9	5,339
South Dorchester	20,755	19,527	1,228	5.9	69.2	9,239
Mattapan	1,829	1,740	89	4.9	49.4	1,874
Roslindale	14,096	13,309	787	5.6	58.4	10,042
West Roxbury	13,555	13,000	555	4.1	58.9	9,483
Hyde Park	9,011	8,442	569	6.3	61.1	5,762
Planning District Total	183,714	174,271	9,443	5.1	61.4	115,932
City Total*	205,313	194,636	10,677	5.2	60.5	135,623

* Planning districts may not sum to City total due to suppression by the Bureau of the Census.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

R/5/21/84

Table 59

LABOR FORCE STATUS OF BLACK PERSONS, AGED 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Planning Districts	Total Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (%)	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	Not in Labor Force
East Boston	6	6	0	0.0	42.9	14
Charlestown	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Boston	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central	122	122	0	0.0	47.1	310
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	605	592	13	2.2	60.9	389
South End	3,523	3,216	307	8.7	56.4	2,753
Fenway-Kenmore	1,638	1,523	115	7.0	60.7	1,061
Allston-Brighton	1,360	1,303	57	4.2	61.5	853
Jamaica Plain	2,707	2,379	328	12.1	55.7	2,168
Roxbury	18,518	16,676	1,842	10.0	55.3	14,961
North Dorchester	1,455	1,309	146	10.0	53.5	1,274
South Dorchester	6,268	5,682	586	9.4	60.2	4,165
Mattapan	12,932	11,781	1,151	8.9	66.5	6,537
Roslindale	286	259	27	9.4	44.6	355
West Roxbury	55	48	7	12.7	69.6	24
Hyde Park	1,738	1,604	134	7.7	75.7	559
Planning District Total	51,213	46,500	4,713	9.2	59.3	35,423
City Total*	51,939	47,168	4,771	9.2	59.1	36,188

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

- Information has been suppressed by the Bureau of the Census.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 60

LABOR FORCE STATUS OF ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AGED 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Planning Districts	Total Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (%)	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	Not in Labor Force
East Boston	37	37	0	0.0	100.0	0
Charlestown	98	91	7	7.1	69.5	43
South Boston	23	23	0	0.0	54.8	19
Central	1,724	1,613	111	6.4	66.6	870
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	346	305	41	11.9	56.8	263
South End	1,660	1,578	82	4.9	67.9	787
Fenway-Kenmore	596	593	3	0.5	50.5	585
Allston-Brighton	1,739	1,684	55	3.2	62.6	1,040
Jamaica Plain	235	212	23	1.0	74.6	80
Roxbury	12	12	0	0.0	17.6	56
North Dorchester	69	69	0	0.0	61.6	43
South Dorchester	98	85	13	13.3	68.5	45
Mattapan	11	11	0	0.0	16.7	55
Roslindale	185	180	5	2.7	76.8	56
West Roxbury	75	70	5	6.7	65.8	39
Hyde Park	37	37	0	0.0	100.0	0
Planning District Total	6,945	6,600	345	5.0	63.6	3,981
City Total*	8,029	7,618	411	5.1	63.8	4,591

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 61

LABOR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN, AGED 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Planning Districts	Total Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (%)	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	Not in Labor Force
East Boston	404	386	18	4.5	67.7	193
Charlestown	50	50	0	0.0	64.9	27
South Boston	15	15	0	0.0	53.6	13
Central	162	138	24	14.8	47.5	179
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	405	388	17	4.2	52.2	371
South End	987	879	108	10.9	51.4	921
Fenway-Kenmore	568	545	23	4.1	48.1	613
Allston-Brighton	1,248	1,196	52	4.2	53.0	1,107
Jamaica Plain	2,454	2,132	322	13.1	53.0	2,164
Roxbury	2,582	2,267	315	12.2	52.1	2,358
North Dorchester	789	675	114	14.4	50.5	773
South Dorchester	1,024	913	111	10.8	50.1	1,002
Mattapan	770	692	78	10.1	59.3	528
Roslindale	476	451	25	5.3	71.5	190
West Roxbury	203	197	6	3.0	63.6	116
Hyde Park	38	38	0	0.0	37.6	63
Planning District Total	12,175	10,962	1,213	10.0	53.3	10,618
City Total*	12,732	11,468	1,264	9.9	53.6	10,932

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

R/5/21/84

Table 62

COUNT OF FAMILIES, BY WORKERS IN THE FAMILY, IN 1979

Planning Districts	No Workers	Percent With No Workers	One Worker	Percent With One Worker	Two Or More Workers	Percent With Two or More Workers
East Boston	1,715	20.0	2,948	34.4	3,906	45.6
Charlestown	573	18.4	1,002	32.1	1,546	49.5
South Boston	1,585	21.6	2,599	35.4	3,150	43.0
Central	583	14.2	1,311	32.0	2,205	53.8
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	277	8.4	934	28.4	2,081	63.2
South End	790	20.2	1,007	25.7	2,117	54.1
Fenway-Kenmore	400	28.8	355	25.5	635	45.7
Allston-Brighton	1,773	17.0	2,849	27.3	5,826	55.8
Jamaica Plain	1,913	23.6	2,596	32.0	3,613	44.5
Roxbury	3,868	26.6	5,361	36.9	5,293	36.4
North Dorchester	1,049	18.6	1,890	33.6	2,689	47.8
South Dorchester	2,727	19.3	4,433	31.4	6,946	49.2
Mattapan	1,549	18.5	2,620	31.2	4,225	50.3
Roslindale	1,388	17.0	2,535	31.0	4,256	52.0
West Roxbury	1,273	15.4	2,369	28.7	4,622	55.9
Hyde Park	988	12.6	2,386	30.5	4,461	56.9
Planning District Total*	22,451	19.2	37,195	31.7	57,571	49.1
City Total	22,460	19.1	37,415	31.8	57,957	49.2

* Planning District Totals may not sum to City Total, and percentages may not sum to exactly 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing, Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 63

EMPLOYED PERSONS, 1970 TO 1980, BY INDUSTRY, FOR AGES 16 YEARS AND OVER, IN PERCENT

Industry	1970 Distribution	1980 Absolute Numbers	1980 Distribution	1980 Absolute Numbers	1970-1980 Percent Change	1970-1980 Absolute Change
Construction	4.4	11,433	3.2	8,132	- 28.9	- 3,301
Manufacturing	17.6	45,768	(14.3)	(36,521)	-(20.2)	-(9,247)
Durable Goods	8.7	22,249	8.1	20,813	- 6.4	- 1,436
(Non-Durable Goods)	(8.9)	(23,519)	6.1	15,708	-(33.2)	-(7,811)
Transportation	4.0	10,357	4.7	12,130	+ 17.1	+ 1,773
Communications, Utilities & Sanitary Services	3.5	9,204	(2.6)	(6,552)	-(28.8)	-(2,652)
(Other Public Util.)*	-	-	2.6	6,552	-	-
Wholesale/Retail Trade	19.4	50,387	(16.8)	(43,137)	-(14.4)	-(7,250)
(Wholesale)	-	-	2.8	7,096	-	-
(Retail)	-	-	14.1	36,041	-	-
Finance, Insurance, Business, & Repair Service	13.0	33,736	(14.3)	(36,533)	+ (8.3)	+(2,797)
(Finance, Insurance, Real Estate)	-	-	9.0	23,079	-	-
(Business & Repair Service)	-	-	5.3	13,454	-	-
Professional & Related Services	17.0	44,298	(20.7)	(52,924)	+(19.5)	+(8,626)
(Other Professional/ Related Services)	-	-	7.0	17,849	-	-
(Health Services)	-	-	13.7	35,075	-	-
Educational Services	8.3	21,592	10.9	27,989	+ 29.6	+(6,397)
Public Administration	7.2	18,725	8.1	20,825	+ 11.2	+ 2,100
Other	5.5	14,342	(4.5)	(11,354)	-(20.8)	-(2,988)
(Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Mining)	-	-	0.3	658	-	-
(Personal, Entertainment, Recreational Services)	-	-	4.2	10,696	-	-
Percentage Total**	99.9	259,842	100.1	256,097	- 1.4	- 3,745

---

* All parentheses are new cateogires of Industry for the 1980 Census, and correspond to compatible 1970 categories.

** May not sum to exactly 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3, 1970 Fifth Count Block Group/Enumeration District Tape Data, prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 64

INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYED PERSONS 16 YEARS AND OLDER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Part A

	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Mining	Construction	Manufacturing		Trans-portation	Communica-tions, Other Public Utilities	Wholesale Trade
			Non-Durable Goods	Durable Goods			
East Boston	28	577	1,320	1,437	1,032	238	599
Charlestown	39	236	519	261	437	166	257
South Boston	13	412	769	1,312	924	525	575
Central	67	308	1,092	573	459	201	306
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	57	328	1,100	853	548	386	292
South End	48	304	864	751	365	227	282
Fenway-Kenmore	14	165	638	709	387	121	320
Allston-Brighton	110	863	1,541	2,635	1,086	610	1,017
Jamaica Plain	54	421	971	1,171	538	409	368
Roxbury	88	692	1,337	2,125	1,111	496	317
No. Dorchester	6	374	804	1,309	573	272	331
So. Dorchester	70	1,127	1,536	2,386	1,413	963	625
Mattapan	5	504	808	1,883	742	502	272
Roslindale	30	612	840	906	766	427	488
West Roxbury	29	536	550	951	831	638	550
Hyde Park	41	673	999	1,551	902	371	497
Planning District Total	658	8,132	15,688	20,813	11,620	6,552	7,096
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
City Total*	658	8,132	15,708	20,813	12,130	6,552	7,096

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYED PERSONS 16 YEARS AND OLDER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Part B

	Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	Business & Repair Services	Personal, Entertainment, Recreational Services	Health Services	Educational Services	Other Professional/ Related Services	Public Administi tion
East Boston	2,001	1,295	795	701	876	706	589	1,283
Charlestown	768	667	265	225	395	542	500	688
South Boston	1,544	979	416	432	1,124	658	554	1,746
Central	2,140	1,361	611	524	1,183	1,062	1,240	1,190
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2,325	2,358	1,675	873	2,347	2,961	2,126	920
South End	1,872	1,274	839	610	1,327	1,197	1,290	923
Fenway-Kenmore	2,872	905	875	782	2,184	3,554	1,303	618
Allston-Brighton	5,621	2,437	2,238	1,510	5,455	5,284	2,700	1,887
Jamaica Plain	2,052	1,197	782	853	3,498	2,292	1,294	1,092
Roxbury	1,927	1,972	923	1,271	3,637	1,745	1,588	1,827
No. Dorchester	1,250	859	505	385	1,128	737	356	737
So. Dorchester	3,262	2,252	930	819	3,313	2,041	1,363	2,468
Mattapan	1,408	1,584	684	424	2,551	1,271	610	1,042
Roslindale	2,322	1,169	662	425	2,271	1,433	744	1,213
West Roxbury	2,531	1,377	663	422	2,028	1,569	949	1,665
Hyde Park	2,133	1,393	572	446	1,758	950	639	1,514
Planning District Total	36,028	23,079	13,435	10,702	35,075	28,002	17,845	20,813
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
City Total*	36,041	23,079	13,454	10,696	35,075	27,989	17,849	20,825

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by K.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 65

INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYED PERSONS 16 YEARS AND OLDER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, BY PERCENT DISTRIBUTION, 1980

Part A

	Total Jobs	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Mining	Construction	Manufacturing Non-Durable Goods	Manufacturing Durable Goods	Trans-portation	Communica-tions, Other Public Utilities	Wholes Trade
East Boston	100.0	0.2	4.3	9.8	10.7	7.7	1.8	4.4
Charlestown	100.0	0.7	4.0	8.7	4.4	7.3	2.8	4.3
South Boston	100.0	0.1	3.4	6.4	10.9	7.7	4.4	4.8
Central	100.0	0.5	2.5	8.9	4.7	3.7	1.6	2.5
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	0.3	1.7	5.7	4.5	2.9	2.0	1.5
South End	100.0	0.6	2.5	7.1	6.2	3.0	1.9	2.3
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	0.1	1.1	4.1	4.6	2.5	0.8	2.1
Allston-Brighton	100.0	0.3	2.5	4.4	7.5	3.1	1.7	2.9
Jamaica Plain	100.0	0.3	2.5	5.7	6.9	3.2	2.4	2.2
Roxbury	100.0	0.4	3.3	6.3	10.1	5.3	2.4	1.5
No. Dorchester	100.0	-	3.9	8.4	13.6	6.0	2.8	3.4
So. Dorchester	100.0	0.1	4.6	6.3	9.7	5.8	3.9	2.5
Mattapan	100.0	-	3.5	5.7	13.2	5.2	3.5	1.9
Roslindale	100.0	0.3	4.3	5.9	6.3	5.4	3.0	3.4
West Roxbury	100.0	0.2	3.5	3.6	6.2	5.4	4.2	3.6
Hyde Park	100.0	0.3	4.7	6.9	10.7	6.2	2.6	3.4
Planning District Totals	100.0	0.3	3.2	6.1	8.1	4.6	2.6	2.8
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
City Total*	100.0	0.3	3.2	6.1	8.1	4.7	2.6	2.8

- Less than 0.1 percent.
* Planning districts may not sum due to rounding.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYED PERSONS 16 YEARS AND OLDER,
BY PLANNING DISTRICT, PERCENT DISTRIBUTION, 1980

Part B

	Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	Business & Repair Services	Personal, Entertainment, Recreational Services	Health Services	Educational Services	Other Professional/ Related Services	Public Administration
East Boston	14.9	9.6	5.9	5.2	6.5	5.2	4.4	9.5
Charlestown	12.9	11.2	4.4	3.8	6.6	9.1	8.4	11.5
South Boston	12.9	8.2	3.5	3.6	9.4	5.5	4.6	14.6
Central	17.4	11.1	5.0	4.3	9.6	8.6	10.1	9.7
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	12.1	12.3	8.8	4.6	12.3	15.5	11.1	4.8
South End	15.4	10.5	6.9	5.0	10.9	9.8	10.6	7.6
Fenway-Kenmore	18.6	5.9	5.7	5.1	14.1	23.0	8.4	4.0
Allston-Brighton	16.1	7.0	6.4	4.3	15.6	15.1	7.2	5.0
Jamaica Plain	12.1	7.0	4.6	5.0	20.6	13.5	7.6	6.4
Roxbury	9.2	9.4	4.4	6.0	17.3	8.3	7.5	8.7
No. Dorchester	13.0	8.9	5.2	4.0	11.7	7.7	3.7	7.7
So. Dorchester	13.3	9.2	3.8	3.3	13.5	8.3	5.6	10.1
Mattapan	9.9	11.1	4.8	3.0	17.9	8.9	4.3	7.3
Roslindale	16.2	8.2	4.6	3.0	15.9	10.0	5.2	8.5
West Roxbury	16.6	9.0	4.3	2.8	13.3	10.3	6.2	10.9
Hyde Park	14.8	9.6	4.0	3.1	12.2	6.6	4.4	10.5
Planning District Total	14.1	9.0	5.3	4.2	13.7	11.0	7.0	8.1
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100.0
City Total*	14.1	9.0	5.3	4.2	13.7	10.9	7.0	8.1

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 66

EMPLOYED PERSONS, 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY INDUSTRY, 1970

Planning Districts	Construction	Manufacturing		Transportation	Communications, Utilities & Sanitary Services	Wholesale/ Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, Business & Repair Services	Professional & Related Services	Educational Services	Public Adminis- tration	Other
			Durable Goods								
East Boston	1,040	4,188	1,716	977	491	3,001	2,005	1,120	556	1,224	883
Charlestown	198	1,220	497	483	299	1,144	714	541	308	649	231
South Boston	611	2,922	1,723	917	812	2,999	1,676	1,608	709	1,623	562
Central	654	1,683	327	208	159	1,708	1,226	1,662	482	510	637
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	281	1,835	716	497	304	2,644	3,775	4,346	2,505	692	1,107
South End	348	1,577	536	242	307	2,245	1,115	1,774	605	367	933
Fenway-Kenmore	223	1,475	564	315	215	2,983	2,000	4,167	3,266	478	954
Allston-Brighton	1,129	4,356	2,368	945	716	6,496	4,021	6,388	4,124	1,552	1,330
Jamaica Plain	625	2,664	1,250	625	537	3,003	2,199	4,641	1,588	1,179	924
Roxbury	1,080	5,423	2,864	888	844	3,493	2,692	4,371	1,425	1,433	2,115
North Dorchester	684	2,484	1,239	585	654	2,473	1,381	1,428	490	1,083	624
South Dorchester	1,564	4,976	2,789	1,393	1,634	5,928	3,658	3,678	1,669	2,582	1,398
Mattapan	782	3,531	1,791	732	555	4,009	2,207	2,803	833	1,214	940
Roslindale	697	2,123	1,079	535	422	2,422	1,689	1,768	643	1,190	506
West Roxbury	665	1,927	1,015	437	629	2,813	1,704	2,157	1,484	1,485	592
Hyde Park	852	3,384	1,775	578	626	3,026	1,674	1,846	905	1,464	606
Planning District Total	11,433	45,768	(22,249)	10,357	9,204	50,387	33,736	44,298	21,592	18,725	14,342

Source: 1970 Fifth Count Block Group/Enumeration District Tape Data, prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 67

DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS, 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY INDUSTRY, 1970

Planning Districts	Construction	Manufacturing		Transportation	Communications, Utilities & Sanitary Services	Wholesale/ Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, Business & Repair Services	Professional & Related Services	Educational Services	Public Administration	Other
			Durable Goods								
East Boston	9.1	9.2	7.7	9.4	5.3	6.0	5.9	2.5	2.6	6.5	6.2
Charlestown	1.7	2.7	2.2	4.7	3.2	2.3	2.1	1.2	1.4	3.5	1.6
South Boston	5.3	6.4	7.7	8.8	8.8	6.0	5.0	3.6	3.3	8.7	3.9
Central	5.7	3.7	1.5	2.0	1.7	3.4	3.6	3.8	2.2	2.7	4.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2.4	4.0	3.2	4.8	3.3	5.2	11.2	9.8	11.6	3.7	7.7
South End	3.0	3.4	2.4	2.3	3.3	4.4	3.3	4.0	2.8	2.0	6.5
Fenway Kenmore	1.9	3.2	2.5	3.0	2.3	5.9	5.9	9.4	15.1	2.6	6.7
Allston-Brighton	9.9	9.5	10.6	9.1	7.8	12.9	11.9	14.4	19.1	8.3	9.3
Jamaica Plain	5.5	5.8	5.6	6.0	5.8	6.0	6.5	10.5	7.3	6.3	6.4
Roxbury	9.4	11.8	12.9	8.6	9.2	6.9	8.0	9.9	6.6	7.7	14.7
North Dorchester	6.0	5.4	5.6	5.6	7.1	4.9	4.1	3.2	2.3	5.8	4.3
South Dorchester	13.7	10.9	12.5	13.4	17.7	11.8	10.8	8.3	7.7	13.8	9.7
Mattapan	6.8	7.7	8.0	7.1	6.0	8.0	6.5	6.3	3.9	6.5	6.5
Roslindale	6.1	4.6	4.8	5.2	4.6	4.8	5.0	4.0	3.0	6.4	3.5
West Roxbury	5.8	4.2	4.6	4.2	6.8	5.6	5.1	4.9	6.9	7.9	4.1
Hyde Park	7.4	7.4	8.0	5.6	6.8	6.0	5.0	4.2	4.2	7.8	4.2
Planning District Total	99.7	99.9	99.8	99.8	99.7	100.1	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.2	99.7

* Planning District totals may not sum to exactly 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1970 Fifth Count Block Group/Enumeration District Tape Data, prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 68

OCCUPATION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS 16 YEARS AND OLDER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

	Total Civilian Employment, 16 and Over	Professional, Technical, & Managerial*	Sales	Clerical	Craftsmen & Foremen	Operatives	Transportation Operatives	Laborers	Service Workers, Includi Private Househol
East Boston	13,477	2,093	895	3,356	1,754	1,424	518	766	2,671
Charlestown	5,965	1,550	369	1,621	473	321	316	337	978
South Boston	11,983	1,932	534	3,413	1,296	1,189	537	732	2,350
Central	12,317	5,465	1,037	2,283	468	773	121	298	1,872
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	19,149	10,960	1,962	3,094	463	232	169	81	2,188
South End	12,173	4,834	794	1,951	686	935	165	262	2,546
Fenway-Kenmore	15,423	5,661	1,355	3,767	367	438	318	295	3,222
Allston-Brighton	34,994	14,136	3,304	7,409	1,817	1,619	758	634	5,317
Jamaica Plain	16,096	4,987	1,113	3,535	1,108	1,104	386	595	3,264
Roxbury	21,056	4,125	937	4,730	1,477	2,284	834	1,008	5,661
No. Dorchester	9,626	1,728	636	2,303	1,027	1,127	363	592	1,850
So. Dorchester	24,518	5,226	1,440	6,335	2,907	1,852	1,003	1,125	4,630
Mattapan	14,290	2,669	705	3,588	1,458	1,447	543	583	3,297
Roslindale	14,317	3,477	1,204	3,451	1,574	947	410	593	2,661
West Roxbury	15,289	5,218	1,436	3,887	1,256	419	478	467	2,128
Hyde Park	14,439	3,132	1,062	3,740	1,641	1,195	606	584	2,479
Boston Total**	256,047	78,144	18,788	58,451	19,772	17,320	7,505	8,958	47,109
% Distribution	100.0	30.5	7.3	22.8	7.7	6.8	2.9	3.5	18.4

* Includes farmers, foresters, and fishers.

** Planning districts may not sum exactly to City total.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by Susan E. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 69

DISTRIBUTION OF THE OCCUPATION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS 16 YEARS AND OLDER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

	Total Civilian Employment, 16 and Over	Professional, Technical, & Managerial*	Sales	Clerical	Craftsmen & Foremen	Operatives	Transportation Operatives	Laborers	Service Workers, Includin Private Househol
East Boston	100.0	15.5	6.6	24.9	13.0	10.6	3.8	5.7	19.8
Charlestown	100.0	26.0	6.2	27.2	7.9	5.4	5.3	5.6	16.4
South Boston	100.0	16.1	4.5	28.5	10.8	9.9	4.5	6.1	19.6
Central	100.0	44.4	8.4	18.5	3.8	6.3	1.0	2.4	15.2
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	57.2	10.2	16.2	2.4	1.2	.9	.4	11.4
South End	100.0	39.7	6.5	16.0	5.6	7.7	1.4	2.2	20.9
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	36.7	8.8	24.4	2.4	2.8	2.1	1.9	20.9
Allston-Brighton	100.0	40.4	9.4	21.2	5.2	4.6	2.2	1.8	15.2
Jamaica Plain	100.0	31.0	6.9	22.0	6.9	6.9	2.4	3.7	20.3
Roxbury	100.0	19.6	4.5	22.5	7.0	10.8	4.0	4.8	26.9
No. Dorchester	100.0	18.0	6.6	23.9	10.7	11.7	3.8	6.2	19.2
So. Dorchester	100.0	21.3	5.9	25.8	11.9	7.6	4.1	4.6	18.9
Mattapan	100.0	18.7	4.9	25.1	10.2	10.1	3.8	4.1	23.1
Roslindale	100.0	24.3	8.4	24.1	11.0	6.6	2.9	4.1	18.6
West Roxbury	100.0	34.1	9.4	25.4	8.2	2.7	3.1	3.1	13.9
Hyde Park	100.0	21.7	7.4	25.9	11.4	8.3	4.3	4.0	17.2
Boston Total	100.0	30.5	7.3	22.8	7.7	6.8	2.9	3.5	18.4

* Includes farmers, foresters, and fishers.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by S. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 70

TOTAL BOSTON 1970 EMPLOYED POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER IN THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE BY OCCUPATION

PLANNING DISTRICT	Total Emp. over 16	Prof., Tech. &Managerial	Sales Workers	Clerical	Craftsmen &Foremen	Operatives	Transport Operatives	Laborers	Service Workers	Private Household	Farme
East Boston	15,575	1,794	741	3,792	2,374	2,849	606	979	2,389	35	46
Charlestown	5,787	697	253	1,728	722	551	327	550	927	22	10
South Boston	14,439	1,787	594	4,354	1,748	1,740	695	919	2,585	5	12
Central	8,402	2,080	424	1,751	625	1,289	173	587	1,429	23	21
Back Bay - Beacon Hill	19,332	8,943	1,437	5,307	470	453	153	239	2,119	211	-
South End	9,515	1,760	325	1,735	703	1,376	261	383	2,825	146	1
Fenway - Kenmore	16,003	5,000	767	5,110	715	721	264	400	2,911	110	5
Allston - Brighton	31,057	9,908	2,158	9,063	2,328	2,125	775	742	3,737	209	12
Jamaica Plain - Parker Hill	18,727	4,866	805	4,717	1,772	1,534	500	798	3,548	160	27
Washington Park - Model City	23,215	3,141	674	5,232	2,492	4,489	888	1,182	4,497	555	65
Washington Park	6,799	1,083	176	1,636	700	1,192	291	307	1,222	182	10
Campus High	508	80	18	126	25	50	16	27	135	29	2
Model City	15,908	1,978	480	3,470	1,767	3,247	581	848	3,140	344	53
Dorchester	58,308	9,286	3,485	16,260	7,503	6,975	2,581	2,757	9,049	339	73
Dorchester 1	11,937	1,558	527	3,331	1,580	1,616	577	690	1,980	65	13
Dorchester 2	29,032	4,799	1,581	8,346	3,922	3,062	1,244	1,390	4,499	156	33
Mattapan	17,339	2,929	1,377	4,583	2,001	2,297	760	677	2,570	118	27
Roslindale	16,453	3,204	926	4,648	2,112	1,545	643	673	2,612	66	24
West Roxbury	14,509	4,351	1,473	3,811	1,509	775	356	276	1,880	67	11
Hyde Park	15,088	3,070	1,011	4,139	2,079	1,473	572	546	2,141	57	-
Planning District Totals	266,410	59,887	15,073	71,647	27,152	27,895	8,794	11,031	42,649	2,005	271
Harbor Islands	95	42	-	8	5	-	6	-	34	-	-
Crews Of Vessels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-
CITY TOTALS	266,505	59,929	15,073	71,655	27,157	27,895	8,800	11,031	42,683	2,005	271

SOURCE: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, Fourth Count Summary Tape; Tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, B.R.A. Research Department.

Table 71

RECENT COMPOSITION OF THE 1970 EMPLOYED POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER IN THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE BY OCCUPATION

PLANNING DISTRICT	Total Emp. in Civ. L.F. over 16	Prof., Tech. & Managerial	Sales Workers	Clerical	Craftsmen &Foremen	Operatives	Transport Operatives	Laborers	Service Workers	Private Household	Farmers
East Boston	100.0	11.5	4.8	24.4	15.2	18.3	3.9	6.3	15.3	.2	.1
Charlestown	100.0	12.0	4.4	29.9	12.5	9.5	5.6	9.5	16.0	.4	.2
South Boston	100.0	12.4	4.1	30.2	12.1	12.0	4.8	6.4	17.9	-	.1
Central	100.0	24.8	5.1	20.8	7.4	15.3	2.1	7.0	17.0	.3	.2
Back Bay - Beacon Hill	100.0	46.3	7.4	27.5	2.4	2.3	.8	1.2	11.0	1.1	-
South End	100.0	18.5	3.4	18.2	7.4	14.5	2.8	4.0	29.7	1.5	-
Fenway - Kenmore	100.0	31.2	4.8	31.9	4.5	4.5	1.7	2.5	18.2	.7	-
Allston - Brighton	100.0	31.9	7.0	29.2	7.5	6.8	2.5	2.4	12.0	.7	-
Jamaica Plain - Parker Hill	100.0	26.0	4.3	25.2	9.5	8.2	2.7	4.3	18.9	.8	.1
Washington Park - Model City	100.0	13.5	2.9	22.6	10.7	19.3	3.8	5.1	19.4	2.4	.3
Washington Park	100.0	15.9	2.6	24.1	10.3	17.5	4.3	4.5	18.0	2.7	.1
Campus High	100.0	15.8	3.5	24.8	4.9	9.8	3.2	5.3	26.6	5.7	.4
Model City	100.0	12.4	3.0	21.8	11.1	20.4	3.7	5.3	19.8	2.2	.3
Dorchester	100.0	15.9	6.0	27.9	12.9	12.0	4.4	4.7	15.5	.6	.1
Dorchester 1	100.0	13.1	4.4	27.9	13.2	13.5	4.8	5.8	16.6	.6	.1
Dorchester 2	100.0	16.5	5.5	28.8	13.5	10.5	4.3	4.8	15.5	.5	.1
Mattapan	100.0	16.9	7.9	26.4	11.5	13.3	4.4	3.9	14.8	.7	.2
Roslindale	100.0	19.5	5.6	28.3	12.8	9.4	3.9	4.1	15.9	.4	.1
West Roxbury	100.0	30.0	10.1	26.3	10.4	5.3	2.4	1.9	13.0	.5	.1
Hyde Park	100.0	20.3	6.7	27.4	13.8	9.8	3.8	3.6	14.2	.4	-
Planning Districts Totals	100.0	22.5	5.7	26.9	10.2	10.5	3.3	4.1	16.0	.7	.1
Harbor Islands	100.0	44.2	-	8.4	5.3	-	6.3	-	35.8	-	-
Crews of Vessels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CITY TOTALS	100.0	22.5	5.7	26.9	10.2	10.5	3.3	4.1	16.0	.7	.1

SOURCE: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, Fourth Count Summary Tape; Tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, B.R.A. Research Department.

Table 72

WORKERS IN 1979, BY HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, BY NUMBER OF WEEKS WORKED

Planning Districts	Total Workers	Usually Worked 35+ Hours per Week				Usually Worked 1-34 Hours per Week			
		50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks
East Boston	14,976	8,168	1,439	611	1,465	1,255	534	425	1,079
Charlestown	6,771	3,539	714	357	630	601	191	239	500
South Boston	13,405	7,683	944	578	1,199	1,060	474	344	1,123
Central	14,204	8,442	1,427	608	1,207	840	481	368	831
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	22,927	11,128	2,191	1,333	3,095	1,179	1,075	1,070	1,856
South End	13,981	7,664	1,484	645	1,379	838	580	437	954
Fenway-Kenmore	23,819	4,590	1,902	1,692	6,215	1,830	1,694	1,781	4,115
Allston-Brighton	43,141	17,335	3,966	2,720	7,688	3,261	2,386	1,959	3,826
Jamaica Plain	19,554	9,041	1,868	1,206	2,658	1,637	1,060	685	1,399
Roxbury	24,043	12,564	2,461	1,364	2,483	1,721	864	617	1,960
North Dorchester	10,647	5,896	827	521	913	819	444	366	861
South Dorchester	26,939	14,421	2,569	1,182	2,302	2,212	1,230	870	2,153
Mattapan	15,872	8,770	1,580	874	1,332	1,153	533	388	1,242
Roslindale	16,121	8,472	1,618	697	1,291	1,371	661	615	1,396
West Roxbury	16,934	9,501	1,197	723	1,373	1,636	718	599	1,187
Hyde Park	16,050	9,205	1,368	554	1,158	1,509	466	510	1,280
Planning District Total	299,375	146,419	27,555	15,665	36,388	22,922	13,391	11,273	25,762
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	182	6	37	26	55	6	0	0	52
City Total*	300,779	147,462	27,674	15,694	36,491	22,937	13,390	11,278	25,853

* Planning districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 73

WORKERS IN 1979, BY HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, BY NUMBER OF WEEKS WORKED, IN PERCENT

Planning Districts	Usually Worked 35+ Hours per Week				Usually Worked 1-34 Hours per Week			
	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks
East Boston	54.5	9.6	4.1	9.8	8.4	3.6	2.8	7.2
Charlestown	52.3	10.5	5.3	9.3	8.9	2.8	3.5	7.4
South Boston	57.3	7.0	4.3	8.9	7.9	3.5	2.6	8.4
Central	59.4	10.0	4.3	8.5	5.9	3.4	2.6	5.9
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	48.5	9.6	5.8	13.5	5.1	4.7	4.7	8.1
South End	54.8	10.6	4.6	9.9	6.0	4.2	3.1	6.8
Fenway-Kenmore	19.3	8.0	7.1	26.1	7.7	7.1	7.5	17.3
Allston-Brighton	40.2	9.2	6.3	17.8	7.6	5.5	4.5	8.9
Jamaica Plain	46.2	9.6	6.2	13.6	8.4	5.4	3.5	7.2
Roxbury	52.3	10.2	5.7	10.3	7.2	3.6	2.6	8.2
North Dorchester	55.4	7.8	4.9	8.6	7.7	4.2	3.4	8.1
South Dorchester	53.5	9.5	4.4	8.5	8.2	4.6	3.2	8.0
Mattapan	55.3	10.0	5.5	8.4	7.3	3.4	2.4	7.8
Roslindale	52.6	10.0	4.3	8.0	8.5	4.1	3.8	8.7
West Roxbury	56.1	7.1	4.3	8.1	9.7	4.2	3.5	7.0
Hyde Park	57.4	8.5	3.4	7.2	9.4	2.9	3.2	8.0
Planning District Total	48.9	9.2	5.2	12.1	7.7	4.5	3.8	8.6
(Sub-total)				(75.4)				(24.6)
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	3.3	20.3	14.3	30.2	3.3	0.0	0.0	28.6
(Sub-total)				(68.1)				(31.9)
City Total*	49.0	9.2	5.2	12.1	7.6	4.5	3.8	8.6
(Sub-total)				(75.5)				(24.5)

* Planning district totals may not sum exactly to 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 74

MALE WORKERS IN 1979, BY HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, BY NUMBER OF WEEKS WORKED

Planning Districts	Usually Worked 35+ Hours per Week				Usually Worked 1-34 Hours per Week			
	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks
East Boston	5,087	823	366	872	348	153	101	408
Charlestown	2,175	395	227	366	156	38	65	200
South Boston	4,679	559	335	671	381	102	141	514
Central	5,067	781	329	662	310	179	172	414
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	6,319	1,088	532	1,849	503	397	446	764
South End	4,912	942	348	873	429	303	268	494
Fenway-Kenmore	2,527	1,130	975	3,639	827	594	782	1,689
Allston-Brighton	8,896	1,873	1,370	4,382	1,144	889	685	1,674
Jamaica Plain	5,062	999	646	1,528	663	456	295	555
Roxbury	6,594	1,209	768	1,221	591	263	166	726
North Dorchester	3,583	436	299	511	255	118	80	339
South Dorchester	8,429	1,486	669	1,305	726	433	332	911
Mattapan	4,556	821	378	626	388	137	102	444
Roslindale	5,116	934	447	717	422	208	173	532
West Roxbury	5,711	681	383	712	574	192	217	416
Hyde Park	5,483	877	376	568	452	111	211	416
Planning District Total	84,196	15,034	8,448	20,502	8,169	4,573	4,236	10,496
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	6	37	26	55	6	0	0	45
City Total*	85,219	15,165	8,477	20,605	8,184	4,578	4,241	10,572

* Planning districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 75

MALE WORKERS IN 1979, BY HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, BY NUMBER OF WEEKS WORKED, IN PERCENT

Planning Districts	Usually Worked 35+ Hours per Week				Usually Worked 1-34 Hours per Week			
	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks
East Boston	62.4	10.1	4.5	10.7	4.3	1.9	1.2	5.0
Charlestown	60.0	10.9	6.3	10.1	4.3	1.0	1.8	5.5
South Boston	63.4	7.6	4.5	9.1	5.2	1.4	1.9	7.0
Central	64.0	9.9	4.2	8.4	3.9	2.3	2.2	5.2
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	53.1	9.1	4.5	15.5	4.2	3.3	3.7	6.4
South End	57.3	11.0	4.1	10.2	5.0	3.5	3.1	5.8
Fenway-Kenmore	20.8	15.4	8.0	29.9	6.8	4.9	6.4	13.9
Allston-Brighton	42.5	9.0	6.6	21.0	5.5	4.3	3.3	8.0
Jamaica Plain	49.6	9.8	6.3	15.0	6.5	4.5	2.9	5.4
Roxbury	57.2	10.5	6.7	10.6	5.1	2.3	1.4	6.3
North Dorchester	63.7	7.8	5.3	9.1	4.5	2.1	1.4	6.0
South Dorchester	59.0	10.4	4.7	9.1	5.1	3.0	2.3	6.4
Mattapan	61.1	11.0	5.1	8.4	5.2	1.8	1.4	6.0
Roslindale	59.8	10.9	5.2	8.4	4.9	2.4	2.0	6.2
West Roxbury	64.3	7.7	4.3	8.0	6.5	2.2	2.4	4.7
Hyde Park	64.6	10.3	4.4	6.7	5.3	1.3	2.5	4.9
Planning District Totals	54.1	9.7	5.4	13.2 (82.3)	5.2	2.9	2.7	6.7 (17.7)
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	3.4	21.1	14.9	31.4 (70.9)	3.4	0.0	0.0	25.7 (29.1)
City Total*	54.3	9.7	5.4	13.1 (82.4)	5.2	2.9	2.7	6.7 (17.6)

* Planning district totals may not sum exactly to 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 76

FEMALE WORKERS IN 1979, BY HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, BY NUMBER OF WEEKS WORKED

Planning Districts	Usually Worked 35+ Hours per Week				Usually Worked 1-34 Hours per Week			
	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks
East Boston	3,081	616	245	593	907	381	324	671
Charlestown	1,364	319	130	264	445	153	174	300
South Boston	3,004	385	243	528	679	372	203	609
Central	3,375	646	279	545	530	302	196	417
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	4,809	1,103	801	1,246	676	678	624	1,092
South End	2,752	542	297	506	409	277	169	460
Fenway-Kenmore	2,063	772	717	2,576	1,003	1,100	999	2,426
Allston-Brighton	8,439	2,093	1,350	3,306	2,117	1,497	1,274	2,152
Jamaica Plain	3,979	869	560	1,130	974	604	390	844
Roxbury	5,970	1,252	596	1,262	1,130	601	451	1,234
North Dorchester	2,313	391	222	402	564	326	286	522
South Dorchester	5,992	1,083	513	997	1,486	797	538	1,242
Mattapan	4,214	759	496	706	765	396	286	798
Roslindale	3,356	684	250	574	949	453	442	864
West Roxbury	3,790	516	340	661	1,062	526	382	771
Hyde Park	3,722	491	178	590	1,057	355	299	864
Planning District Total	62,223	12,521	7,217	15,886	14,753	8,818	7,037	15,266
City Total*	62,243	12,509	7,217	15,886	14,753	8,812	7,037	15,281

* Planning districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 77

FEMALE WORKERS IN 1979, BY HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, BY NUMBER OF WEEKS WORKED, IN PERCENT

Planning Districts	Usually Worked 35+ Hours per Week				Usually Worked 1-34 Hours per Week			
	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks	50-52 Weeks	40-49 Weeks	27-39 Weeks	1-26 Weeks
East Boston	45.2	9.0	3.6	8.7	13.3	5.6	4.8	9.8
Charlestown	43.3	10.1	4.1	8.4	14.1	4.9	5.5	9.5
South Boston	49.9	6.4	4.0	8.8	11.3	6.2	3.4	10.1
Central	53.7	10.3	4.4	8.7	8.4	4.8	3.1	6.6
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	43.6	10.0	7.3	11.3	6.1	6.1	5.7	9.9
South End	50.9	10.0	5.5	9.3	7.6	5.1	3.1	8.5
Fenway-Kenmore	17.7	6.6	6.2	22.1	8.6	9.4	8.6	20.8
Allston-Brighton	38.0	9.4	6.1	14.9	9.5	6.7	5.7	9.7
Jamaica Plain	42.6	9.3	6.0	12.1	10.4	6.5	4.2	9.0
Roxbury	47.8	10.0	4.8	10.1	9.0	4.8	3.6	9.9
North Dorchester	46.0	7.8	4.4	8.0	11.2	6.5	5.7	10.4
South Dorchester	53.0	9.6	4.5	8.8	13.1	7.1	4.8	11.0
Mattapan	50.0	9.0	5.9	8.4	9.1	4.7	3:4	9.5
Roslindale	44.3	9.0	3.3	7.1	12.5	6.0	5.8	11.4
West Roxbury	47.1	6.4	4.2	8.2	13.2	6.5	4.8	9.6
Hyde Park	49.3	6.5	2.4	7.8	14.0	4.7	4.0	11.4
Planning District Total	43.3	8.7	5.0	11.1	10.3	6.1	4.9	10.6
City Total*	43.3	8.7	5.0	11.1	10.3	6.1	4.9	10.6
(Sub-total)				(68.1)				(31.9)

* Planning district totals may not sum exactly to 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 78

WORKERS, 16 YEARS AND OVER, WITH UNEMPLOYMENT IN 1979, BY MEAN WEEKS UNEMPLOYED

Planning Districts	Males With Unemployment	Aggregate Weeks Unemployed	Mean Weeks Unemployed	Females With Unemployment	Aggregate Weeks Unemployed	Mean Weeks Unemployed
East Boston	1,704	33,183	19.5	1,255	15,253	12.2
Charlestown	851	16,039	18.9	623	8,741	14.0
South Boston	1,527	31,024	20.3	836	12,725	15.2
Central	1,232	21,143	17.2	1,018	13,385	13.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2,035	19,328	9.5	2,406	16,937	7.0
South End	2,031	33,397	16.4	1,095	12,640	11.5
Fenway-Kenmore	3,070	29,080	9.5	3,250	18,557	5.7
Allston-Brighton	4,804	55,041	11.5	5,455	45,394	8.3
Jamaica Plain	2,404	32,226	13.4	1,869	21,412	11.5
Roxbury	2,875	50,642	17.6	2,925	43,090	14.7
No. Dorchester	1,184	22,533	19.0	879	15,823	18.0
So. Dorchester	3,097	58,614	18.9	2,280	33,229	14.6
Mattapan	1,688	27,022	16.0	1,662	26,760	16.1
Roslindale	1,583	27,096	17.1	1,046	15,343	14.7
West Roxbury	1,158	17,930	15.5	1,046	14,963	14.3
Hyde Park	1,580	23,843	15.1	1,159	17,816	15.4
Planning District Totals	32,823	498,141	15.2	28,804	332,068	11.5
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	39	1,407	36.1	0	0	0.0
City Totals*	32,918	499,548	15.2	28,803	332,068	11.5

* Planning districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 79

PERSONS, 16 YEARS AND OVER, WITH UNEMPLOYMENT IN 1979, BY SEX, BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Total		White		Black		Asian and Pacific Islander		Hispanic Origin	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
East Boston	1,704	1,255	977	655	0	5	0	0	17	39
Charlestown	851	623	833	566	0	0	0	27	0	0
South Boston	1,527	836	840	355	0	0	0	11	8	7
Central	1,232	1,018	820	597	33	6	167	161	19	10
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2,035	2,406	1,801	2,261	130	89	72	7	56	73
South End	2,031	1,095	1,131	577	543	265	269	177	177	108
Fenway-Kenmore	3,070	3,250	2,628	2,871	257	241	60	60	66	101
Allston-Brighton	4,804	5,455	4,293	4,959	259	236	183	226	200	151
Jamaica Plain	2,404	1,869	1,659	1,196	385	416	17	7	366	325
Roxbury	2,875	2,925	329	214	2,205	2,361	0	0	374	289
No. Dorchester	1,184	879	856	547	175	222	0	0	115	133
So. Dorchester	3,097	2,280	1,666	1,111	694	753	0	7	191	151
Mattapan	1,688	1,662	149	191	1,423	1,350	8	0	74	95
Roslindale	1,583	1,046	1,468	930	35	53	19	32	45	32
West Roxbury	1,158	1,046	981	847	12	0	5	15	12	0
Hyde Park	1,580	1,159	914	646	164	188	0	12	7	9
Planning District Totals	32,823	28,804	21,345	17,523	6,315	6,185	800	742	1,727	1,523
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	39	0	12	0	21	0	0	0	0	0
City Totals*	32,918	28,803	24,290	20,685	6,428	6,288	935	874	1,821	1,601

* Planning districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 80

PERSONS, 16 YEARS AND OVER, WITH UNEMPLOYMENT IN 1979, BY WEEKS UNEMPLOYED, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Unemployed			Unemployed		
	1 to 4 Weeks	5 to 14 Weeks	15 or More Weeks	1 to 4 Weeks	5 to 14 Weeks	15 or More Weeks
East Boston	772	989	1,198	26.1	33.4	40.5
Charlestown	333	470	671	22.6	31.9	45.5
South Boston	430	784	1,149	18.2	33.2	48.6
Central	663	705	882	29.5	31.3	39.2
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2,444	1,264	733	55.0	28.5	16.5
South End	960	1,078	1,088	30.7	34.5	34.8
Fenway-Kenmore	3,708	1,694	918	58.7	26.8	14.5
Allston-Brighton	4,510	3,571	2,178	44.0	34.8	21.2
Jamaica Plain	1,586	1,395	1,292	37.1	32.6	30.2
Roxbury	1,484	2,000	2,316	25.6	34.5	39.9
No. Dorchester	332	759	972	16.1	36.8	47.1
So. Dorchester	1,424	1,625	2,328	26.5	30.2	43.3
Mattapan	808	1,144	1,398	24.1	34.2	41.7
Roslindale	585	941	1,103	22.3	35.8	42.0
West Roxbury	525	787	892	23.8	35.7	40.5
Hyde Park	577	1,148	1,014	21.1	41.9	37.0
Planning District Totals	21,141	20,354	20,132	34.3	33.0	32.7
City Totals*	21,160	20,389	20,172	34.3	33.0	32.7

* Planning districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 81

WORKERS, 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLACE OF WORK, BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, 1980

Planning Districts	Worked in Boston	Worked Outside Boston	Percentage: Worked in Boston	Percentage: Worked Outside Boston
East Boston	8,768	3,100	73.9	26.1
Charlestown	3,662	1,437	71.8	28.2
South Boston	8,502	1,427	85.6	14.4
Central	8,106	2,167	78.9	21.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	12,925	3,895	76.8	23.2
South End	7,490	2,393	75.8	24.2
Fenway-Kenmore	10,441	2,722	79.3	20.7
Allston-Brighton	20,007	10,968	64.6	35.4
Jamaica Plain	10,864	3,627	75.0	25.0
Roxbury	13,372	2,913	82.1	17.9
No. Dorchester	6,275	1,613	79.6	20.4
So. Dorchester	17,512	4,497	79.6	20.4
Mattapan	8,470	2,717	75.7	24.3
Roslindale	9,358	3,297	73.9	26.1
West Roxbury	9,270	4,749	66.1	33.9
Hyde Park	9,004	4,008	69.2	30.8
Planning District Totals	164,026	55,530	74.7	25.3
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	0	0	0.0	0.0
City Totals*	165,100	55,545	74.8	25.2

* Planning districts may not sum to City Total.

Note: "Not Reported" numbered 29,588.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 82

BOSTON RESIDENT WORKERS, 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT OF RESIDENCE AND PLACE OF WORK 1980

		Place of Work					
Planning District	All Workers	Boston	Remainder of Suffolk Co.	Remainder of Boston SMSA	Remainder of Massachusetts	Outside Massachusetts	Not Reported
East Boston	13,564	8,768	794	2,144	132	30	1,696
Charlestown	5,949	3,662	136	1,036	182	83	850
South Boston	11,178	8,502	67	1,231	118	11	1,249
Central	12,802	8,106	144	1,617	304	102	2,529
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	18,741	12,925	45	3,164	491	195	1,921
South End	11,559	7,490	51	1,974	199	169	1,676
Fenway-Kenmore	14,791	10,441	89	2,067	324	242	1,628
Allston-Brighton	34,144	20,007	252	9,787	634	295	3,169
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	16,517	10,864	108	3,178	244	97	2,026
Roxbury	19,666	13,372	133	2,570	193	17	3,381
North Dorchester	9,189	6,275	71	1,462	80	0	1,301
South Dorchester	24,162	17,512	201	3,947	249	100	2,153
Mattapan	14,082	8,470	158	2,439	101	19	2,895
Roslindale	13,758	9,358	60	3,049	136	52	1,103
West Roxbury	14,837	9,270	68	4,282	285	114	818
Hyde Park	14,071	9,004	127	3,617	210	54	1,059
Planning District Total	249,025	164,026	2,504	47,564	3,882	1,580	29,454
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	1,208	1,126	0	0	0	0	116
City Totals	250,233	165,100	2,504	47,579	3,882	1,580	29,588

* Data entries may not sum to planning districts and City totals because place of work was tabulated for only half of the 17 percent of households asked about place of work. The reweighting of the sample numbers up to the total number of workers results in numbers that don't sum perfectly.

Source: 1980 U.S. Census of Population and Housing, Summary Tape File 3.

BOSTON RESIDENT WORKERS, 16 YEARS AND OVER, BY PLANNING DISTRICT OF RESIDENCE AND PLACE OF WORK, 1980 (Percent)

Planning District	Place of Work						
	All Workers	Boston	Remainder of Suffolk Co.	Remainder of Boston SMSA	Remainder of Massachusetts	Outside Massachusetts	Not Reported
East Boston	100.0	64.6	5.9	15.8	1.0	0.2	12.5
Charlestown	100.0	61.6	2.3	17.4	3.1	1.4	14.3
South Boston	100.0	76.1	0.6	11.0	1.1	0.1	11.2
Central	100.0	63.3	1.1	12.6	2.4	0.8	19.8
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	69.0	0.2	16.9	2.6	1.0	10.3
South End	100.0	64.8	0.4	17.1	1.7	1.5	14.5
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	70.6	0.6	14.0	2.2	1.6	11.0
Allston-Brighton	100.0	58.6	0.7	28.7	1.9	0.9	9.3
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	100.0	65.8	0.7	19.2	1.5	0.6	12.3
Roxbury	100.0	68.0	0.7	13.1	1.0	0.1	17.2
North Dorchester	100.0	68.3	0.8	15.9	0.9	0.0	14.2
South Dorchester	100.0	72.5	0.8	16.3	1.0	0.4	8.9
Mattapan	100.0	60.1	1.1	17.3	0.7	0.1	20.6
Roslindale	100.0	68.0	0.4	22.2	1.0	0.4	8.0
West Roxbury	100.0	62.5	0.5	28.9	1.9	0.8	5.5
Hyde Park	100.0	64.0	0.9	25.7	1.5	0.4	7.5
Planning District Total	100.0	65.9	1.0	19.1	1.6	0.6	11.8
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	100.0	93.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.6
City Totals	100.0	66.0	1.0	19.0	1.6	0.6	11.8

Source: 1980 U.S. Census of Population and Housing, Summary Tape File 3.

Table 84

TRAVEL TIME TO WORK OF WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER WHO DID NOT WORK AT HOME

Planning Districts	Less than 5 Minutes	5 to 9 Minutes	10 to 14 Minutes	15 to 19 Minutes	20 to 29 Minutes	30 to 44 Minutes	45 to 59 Minutes	60 or more Minutes
East Boston	241	1,770	1,650	2,036	2,812	3,438	843	759
Charlestown	107	544	859	941	1,146	1,509	364	459
South Boston	271	1,250	1,939	1,790	2,323	2,435	750	383
Central	605	2,083	2,512	2,394	2,305	1,820	330	548
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	517	1,946	3,102	3,461	4,301	3,346	838	714
South End	259	1,048	1,746	2,216	2,790	2,083	751	419
Fenway-Kenmore	1,033	2,696	2,149	2,289	2,407	2,644	938	490
Allston-Brighton	452	2,637	4,782	4,842	6,407	8,506	3,560	2,561
Jamaica Plain	424	1,286	1,795	2,396	3,942	4,010	1,372	1,158
Roxbury	313	1,077	1,690	2,322	3,952	5,916	2,596	1,630
No. Dorchester	139	512	982	1,359	1,922	2,716	873	569
So. Dorchester	355	1,498	2,219	3,196	4,621	7,076	2,828	2,152
Mattapan	206	691	1,082	1,446	2,981	3,633	1,878	2,126
Roslindale	102	869	1,323	1,926	3,214	3,715	1,560	951
West Roxbury	200	1,045	1,994	2,049	3,039	3,624	1,721	1,105
Hyde Park	113	854	1,457	1,464	2,864	3,990	1,678	1,562
Planning District Total	5,337	21,806	31,281	36,127	51,026	60,461	22,880	17,586
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0
City Total*	5,505	21,976	31,548	36,196	51,335	60,578	22,995	17,584

* Planning Districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 85·

TRAVEL TIME TO WORK OF WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER, WHO DID NOT WORK AT HOME, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

(In Percent)

Planning Districts	Less than 5 Minutes	5 to 9 Minutes	10 to 14 Minutes	15 to 19 Minutes	20 to 29 Minutes	30 to 44 Minutes	45 to 59 Minutes	60 or more Minutes
East Boston	1.8	13.1	12.2	15.0	20.8	25.4	6.2	5.6
Charlestown	1.8	9.2	14.5	15.9	19.3	25.4	6.1	7.7
South Boston	2.4	11.2	17.4	16.1	20.8	21.9	6.7	3.4
Central	4.8	16.5	19.9	19.0	18.3	14.4	2.6	4.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2.8	10.7	17.0	19.0	23.6	18.4	4.6	3.9
South End	2.3	9.3	15.4	19.6	24.7	18.4	6.6	3.7
Fenway-Kenmore	7.0	18.4	14.7	15.6	16.4	18.0	6.4	3.3
Allston-Brighton	1.3	7.8	14.2	14.3	19.0	25.2	10.5	7.6
Jamaica Plain	2.6	7.8	11.0	14.6	24.0	24.5	8.4	7.1
Roxbury	1.6	5.5	8.7	11.9	20.3	30.3	13.3	8.4
No. Dorchester	1.5	5.6	10.8	15.0	21.2	29.9	9.6	6.3
So. Dorchester	1.5	6.3	9.3	13.3	19.3	29.6	11.8	9.0
Mattapan	1.5	4.9	7.7	10.3	21.2	25.9	13.4	15.1
Roslindale	0.7	6.4	9.7	14.1	23.5	27.2	11.4	7.0
West Roxbury	1.3	7.1	13.5	13.9	20.6	24.5	11.6	7.5
Hyde Park	0.8	6.1	10.4	10.5	20.5	28.5	12.0	11.2
Planning District Total	2.2	8.8	12.7	14.6	20.7	24.5	9.3	7.1
City Total*	2.2	8.9	12.7	14.6	20.7	24.5	9.3	7.1

* City Total may not sum to exactly 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 86

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK OF WORKERS AGED 16 YEARS AND OLDER

Planning Districts	Car, Truck, or Van Drive Alone	Car, Truck, or Van Carpool	Public Transportation	Walk Only	Other Means	Worked At Home
East Boston	4,507	2,080	4,866	1,498	77	49
Charlestown	1,686	713	2,225	1,096	66	69
South Boston	3,687	1,566	4,374	1,664	133	53
Central	1,973	1,113	2,486	6,792	169	167
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	3,072	1,009	5,419	7,991	447	602
South End	2,593	1,291	3,923	3,500	232	281
Fenway-Kenmore	2,189	788	5,092	6,080	411	183
Allston-Brighton	12,240	4,558	12,382	3,772	794	378
Jamaica Plain	5,720	2,537	5,717	2,023	290	136
Roxbury	5,753	3,194	9,269	1,686	109	193
North Dorchester	3,052	1,331	3,611	1,116	85	103
South Dorchester	8,728	4,141	9,049	1,549	188	139
Mattapan	5,535	2,638	4,997	498	50	83
Roslindale	6,118	2,717	4,226	740	83	91
West Roxbury	8,248	2,518	3,181	756	77	94
Hyde Park	7,305	2,776	3,319	528	78	75
Planning District Totals	82,406	34,970	84,136	41,289	3,289	2,696
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	0	6	0	0	0	0
City Total*	83,123	35,233	84,211	41,472	3,322	2,689

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 87

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK OF WORKERS AGED 16 YEARS AND OLDER

Planning Districts	Car, Truck, or Van		Public Transportation	Walk Only	Other Means	Worked At Home
	Drive Alone	Carpool				
East Boston	34.5	15.9	37.2	11.5	0.6	0.4
Charlestown	28.8	12.2	38.0	18.7	1.1	1.2
South Boston	32.1	13.6	38.1	14.5	1.2	0.5
Central	15.5	8.8	19.6	53.5	1.3	1.3
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	16.6	5.4	29.2	43.1	2.4	3.2
South End	21.9	10.9	33.2	29.6	2.0	2.4
Fenway-Kenmore	14.8	5.3	34.5	41.2	2.8	1.2
Allston-Brighton	35.9	13.4	36.3	11.1	2.3	1.1
Jamaica Plain	34.8	15.4	34.8	12.3	1.8	0.8
Roxbury	28.5	15.8	45.9	8.3	0.5	1.0
North Dorchester	32.8	14.3	38.8	12.0	0.9	1.1
South Dorchester	36.7	17.4	38.0	6.5	0.8	0.6
Mattapan	40.1	19.1	36.2	3.6	0.4	0.6
Roslindale	43.8	19.4	30.2	5.3	0.6	0.7
West Roxbury	55.5	16.9	21.4	5.1	0.5	0.6
Hyde Park	51.9	19.7	23.6	3.7	0.6	0.5
Planning District Totals	33.1	14.1	33.8	16.6	1.3	1.1
City Total*	33.2	14.1	33.7	16.6	1.3	1.1

* Planning districts may not sum to exactly 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3. Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Income

Income may be measured for several different units of analysis: household, family, unrelated individual, and per capita. "Family income" includes income earned by all family members. "Unrelated individual income" refers to the income earned by each unrelated individual living in households or non-institutional group quarters. "Household income" refers to total income of all members of each household taken together, whether or not they are related. Each of these measures of income is useful for different purposes. Household income is the most encompassing measure for the whole population and is usually used to get a broader picture of income trends. Information is presented here for each of these three measures of income in 1980 with comparisons to 1970 data where possible. The Census income data refer to income reported for the year before the Census, i.e., 1979 and 1969.

Household Income

Tables 88 and 89 show the income of Boston's 219,024 households for 1979. The citywide median household income was $12,530, two-thirds of the Boston SMSA household median of $18,694. Of all the neighborhoods, only West Roxbury, at $18,645, approximated the SMSA median. Hyde Park with $17,030, Back Bay-Beacon Hill with $16,042, Roslindale with $15,116, and Central with $14,906 were close behind. Fenway-Kenmore and Roxbury had the lowest median household incomes, at $8,362 and $9,392, respectively.

Table 89 also shows the household income distribution of Boston and its neighborhoods. For the city as a whole, 20 percent of households had incomes under $5,000, another 20 percent had incomes between $5,000 and $10,000, some 30 percent had incomes between $10,000 and $20,000, while the remaining 30

IV. Income

lower educational attainment, lesser paying occupations, and longer term unemployment than Boston averages are important factors. On the other hand, nearly 10 percent of households in Back Bay-Beacon Hill and 7 percent of those in Central earned $50,000 or more. This is due to higher levels of educational attainment, occupational skills and two-worker families in these neighborhoods.

Income of Unrelated Individuals

Unrelated individual incomes are generally lower than those of families and households. In 1979, the median income of unrelated individuals was $5,877, less than half of the $12,530 household median. The range was from $2,848 for Fenway-Kenmore to $9,872 in Central, seen in Table 90. The very low figure for Fenway-Kenmore reflects both the high proportion of part-time employment mentioned earlier, which is largely attributable to students, and the inclusion of students living in dormitories among unrelated individuals. Table 91 shows that 70 percent of Fenway-Kenmore unrelated individuals had incomes of less than $5,000. On the other hand, gentrification has brought sizeable proportions of unrelated individuals with incomes of $25,000 or more to some neighborhoods. The proportions are 12 percent in Back Bay-Beacon Hill, 10 percent in Central, and 6 percent in South End.

Despite the very low figures for Fenway-Kenmore, unrelated individual income for Boston rose sharply over the 1970-1980 decade, more than doubling from the 1969 median of $2,818. Yet it declined from 94 percent of the Boston SMSA unrelated individual median in 1969 to 82 percent ($7,198) in 1979.

percent had incomes of $20,000 or more. The table indicates that in all Boston neighborhoods, over 10 percent of the households had less than $5,000 in income. Nevertheless, the proportion of households with income less than $5,000 ranged from nearly one-third in Fenway-Kenmore, and one-quarter in East Boston, South Boston, Roxbury, and South End, to just over 10 percent in West Roxbury and Hyde Park. Similarly, in the $5,000-$10,000 range, West Roxbury and Hyde Park had lower proportions, some 15 percent, while Roxbury and Fenway-Kenmore had higher proportions, 25 percent or more.

While there was not much variation among neighborhoods in the proportions of households in the middle income groups of $10,000-$20,000, differences between neighborhoods again emerged in the upper income groups. The differences show that, as might be expected, Hyde Park, West Roxbury and Roslindale had over 30 percent of their households in the $20,000-$40,000 income group. For Fenway-Kenmore and Roxbury, the proportions were low, at 11.5 percent and 14.3 percent, respectively. In the income range above $40,000, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Central and West Roxbury had the highest proportions of households. What distinguished high median income neighborhoods from the others is either a more substantial proportion of households in the middle income range of $20,000-49,999, as seen for suburbanlike neighborhoods in the southern part of Boston, or a relatively high proportion of households in the $40,000 or more income category, as seen for Central and Back Bay-Beacon Hill.

A comparison of the high and low ends of the income spectrum in Table 89, reveals that nearly one-third of Fenway-Kenmore households had incomes of less than $5,000, reflecting a large student population. About one-quarter of South Boston, Roxbury, East Boston and South End households fell in this lowest income group as well. In these neighborhoods, lower labor force participation, low income elderly. The unemployment levels, occupational structure, and family composition cited earlier for these planning districts and for minority groups were important contributors to low income levels.

Comparison with the 1969 family income distribution by neighborhoods in Tables 95 and 96 is somewhat difficult. Nevertheless, families resident in Back Bay-Beacon Hill and South End in 1980 were better off on average than families living there in 1970, largely due to gentrification. The income distributions of families in other neighborhoods have remained relatively the same, with some gains in North Dorchester and the three suburbanlike areas of Roslindale, West Roxbury and Hyde Park, when compared with all neighborhoods. Family income in Jamaica Plain has eroded, as has that of families in Central except in the highest income groups. The replacement of settled, working class families by non-English speaking immigrants may have contributed to these declines.

Family Income by Race and Spanish Origin

Tables 97 to 104 present information on the distribution of family incomes of whites, blacks, Asian and Pacific Islanders, and householders of Spanish origin for the city and by neighborhood. Citywide, the differences in income among those groups were significant. Whites have an above average median family income of $18,308, while other groups lagged behind the Boston median of $16,062. For blacks, the median family income was $11,462. The median for Asian and Pacific Islander families was $14,194, while that for hispanic families was only $9,027. As expected from these medians, higher proportions of white and Asian families had incomes in the middle- and upper-income categories. For black and hispanic families, higher proportions fell in the lower income categories. Indeed, 21 percent of black families and 28 percent of hispanic families reported incomes of less than $5,000.

Family Income

Median family income increased by 76 percent in Boston between 1969 and 1979 from $9,133 to $16,062. However, Boston SMSA median family income doubl during the same period to $22,848. Table 92 shows that the sharpest rises in family incomes occurred in Back Bay-Beacon Hill and the South End with 125 percent and 138 percent gains respectively. Families in Central lagged behin the rest of Boston's families with a 44 percent gain on average. Families in Central did not share in the income upgrading evident among unrelated individuals in that neighborhood. Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, East Boston, Mattapan and South Dorchester also had lower gains in median family income th the Boston average.

Tables 93 and 94, which show the income distribution of families, indicat that Back Bay-Beacon Hill had by far the highest median family income, $32,686 This was due to small proportions of families in the low income groups and hig proportions in the middle and upper income categories, capped with 31 percent of families earning $50,000 or more. Many of these high income families were young professional couples with two wage earners. Central showed somewhat the same distribution but to a much lesser extent. The other neighborhoods with incomes notably above the average were West Roxbury, Hyde Park, and Roslindale which had higher proportions of families in the $15,000 to $40,000 range.

Among neighborhoods with low median family income in 1979, Roxbury had th lowest, $10,773. Other neighborhoods with median family incomes under $15,000 included Fenway-Kenmore, Jamaica Plain, East Boston, South End, Mattapan, and North Dorchester. In these areas, one-third or more of the families had incomes of less than $10,000, with Roxbury having 47 percent of its families i this group. Many of these areas were characterized by high or growing proportions of minority families. Fenway-Kenmore also housed many young peopl just starting out whose incomes were low. East Boston had a high proportion o with children. The highest proportion of families in poverty was found in Roxbury (30 percent), North Dorchester (24 percent), and Jamaica Plain (22 percent). As expected from family income statistics, West Roxbury, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, and Hyde Park had the lowest proportions of families in poverty.

The highest proportions of unrelated individuals in poverty were found in Fenway-Kenmore (41 percent) and Allston-Brighton (32 percent), reflecting large student population living in and outside of dormitories. Other neighborhoods with high proportions of unrelated individuals in poverty were Roxbury, with 30 percent, and Jamaica Plain, North and South Dorchester and Mattapan, with 25-26 percent.

Tables 107 to 109 provide information on the proportion of persons in various groups whose family or individual incomes fell below the poverty threshold. In 1979, 20 percent of Boston residents lived in poverty, an increase from 16 percent in 1969. While a lack of comparative statistics for 1969 prevent analysis of which groups have experienced increases in poverty levels, Tables 107 and 109 indicate poverty levels for total, white, black, and hispanic populations in 1979.

In two neighborhoods significantly higher proportions of residents were in poverty than the citywide average: Fenway-Kenmore (35 percent) and Roxbury (32 percent). Other areas above the Boston average included Mattapan, Jamaica Plain, South End, Allston-Brighton, and North Dorchester. Again, students and minorities made up a high proportion of the residents of these areas. West Roxbury and Hyde Park had extremely low proportions living in poverty.

A smaller proportion, some 16 percent, of white residents had incomes below the poverty level in 1980. The high proportions among whites in Fenway-Kenmore (35 percent) and Allston-Brighton (22 percent) reflect large

This overall disparity in the income distributions of racial and hispani groups was maintained throughout the neighborhoods with several exceptions. Incomes for black families were lower than expected in East Boston, South End and Roslindale, but higher than expected in West Roxbury. Asian family income were relatively low in Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, and Mattapan, but relatively high in Charlestown and Fenway-Kenmore. Incomes of hispanic families were especially lower in Roxbury, South End, South Boston, and Mattapan, but higher in Charlestown, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Roslindale, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park. The incomes of white families were lowest in Roxbury and Fenway-Kenmore. It should be noted that because of small groups of minority population in some neighborhoods the income data may have been partially suppressed. Therefore, these income statistics should be used with some caution.

Poverty

Poverty status is determined for families, unrelated individuals, and persons according to whether or not incomes for 1979 fell below poverty thresholds calculated on the basis of the number and ages of household/family members. Tables 105 and 106 show that Boston had mixed reviews with regard to poverty. The proportion of families in poverty increased from 11.3 percent in 1969 to 16.7 percent in 1979. However, the proportion of unrelated individuals in poverty declined from 30.7 percent to 26.5 percent in 1979.

At the neighborhood level, above average proportions of families in poverty in 1979 were closely related to low family incomes and to a high proportion of female headed households with children examined earlier. Neighborhoods where all three indicators were high included Roxbury, North Dorchester, Jamaica Plain, South End, and Mattapan. In addition, South Boston had above average incidence of family poverty and of female-headed families several kinds of income, for instance, earnings and Social Security. While the tables do not identify how many households have specific combinations of types of income, they do indicate the relative dependence of households on various sources of income in 1980.

Three-fourths of Boston households had earnings from wages, salaries, or self employment. Over one-third had income from interest, dividends, and rents. About one-quarter received Social Security income. Some 15 percent received public assistance, and 20 percent had income from other sources.

There was considerable variability in the sources of household income by planning district. Over 80 percent of Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Hyde Park households had earnings income. The proportion fell to about two-thirds for East Boston, South Boston and South End. Two-thirds or more of households in East Boston, South Boston, Roslindale and West Roxbury, planning districts with high proportions of elderly, had income from Social Security. Thirty-five percent of Roxbury households received income from public assistance; Mattapan, North Dorchester and South Dorchester were also well above the Boston average. This is probably related to the higher proportions of single mothers in these areas. In general, median household income was higher for a neighborhood with a higher proportion of households receiving interest, dividend and rental income and lower proportions receiving Social Security and public assistance.

student populations, while those in South Boston and Roxbury (24 percent eac indicate more systemic poverty.

Twenty-nine percent of Boston's black population was in poverty, a considerably higher proportion than the Boston average and slightly higher t the 1969 proportion of 28 percent. The proportions hovered close to 40 perc in East Boston, Fenway-Kenmore, and Roslindale, and close to one-third in Jamaica Plain and North Dorchester. Significantly lower proportions were fo in West Roxbury and Hyde Park.

Poverty has been pervasive among Boston's hispanic population. Forty-t percent lived in poverty in 1979, compared to 34 percent in 1969. The propor tions of persons in poverty were highest in planning districts with large con centrations of hispanics: Roxbury (52 percent), North Dorchester (50 percent South Dorchester (46 percent), and Jamaica Plain (42 percent). However, sinc poverty status was determined for only 65 percent of Boston's hispanics, thes numbers should be used with caution.

Table 109 indicates the extent of poverty among the elderly. Some 13 percent of Boston's elderly have incomes below the poverty level, compared to 15 percent in 1969. Planning districts with unusually high proportions of elderly in poverty included South End (24 percent), Central (20 percent), Roxbury (19 percent), and South Boston (17 percent). However, in most neighborhoods the extent of poverty among the elderly was lower than that amo the population of all ages, probably because of indexed Social Security. Indeed, poverty is increasingly found among minorities and families rather th among the elderly.

Type of Income

Tables 110 and 111 indicate the number and proportion of households in planning districts that receive income of various types. Many households have

Table 89

HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD, IN PERCENT

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-19,999	$20,000-24,999	$25,000-29,999	$30,000-39,999	$40,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More
East Boston	24.4	10.4	10.7	18.0	13.3	9.0	5.4	5.6	2.2	1.0
Charlestown	22.3	9.3	7.6	16.2	13.6	9.2	8.1	7.9	3.8	2.0
South Boston	28.1	11.0	10.5	15.1	12.2	8.5	4.7	6.3	2.9	0.9
Central	17.8	8.4	8.3	15.8	13.9	10.2	5.9	8.0	4.9	6.8
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	15.2	7.5	8.2	15.6	14.3	10.7	6.9	7.6	4.4	9.6
South End	24.5	8.7	10.1	17.2	12.8	9.8	4.5	6.3	2.6	3.4
Fenway-Kenmore	32.2	14.1	10.7	17.3	12.0	5.8	3.2	2.5	1.1	1.1
Allston-Brighton	19.3	10.8	10.0	19.3	15.1	9.4	6.0	6.1	2.5	1.7
Jamaica Plain	19.4	12.5	9.0	17.9	12.5	9.8	7.3	6.4	2.3	3.0
Roxbury	27.2	13.7	12.7	18.5	11.9	7.2	3.6	3.5	1.8	1.2
North Dorchester	20.4	11.4	11.0	17.6	13.4	10.7	6.7	5.9	1.7	1.2
South Dorchester	18.6	10.1	8.6	16.9	13.6	11.4	7.9	7.2	3.8	1.8
Mattapan	20.4	10.0	8.3	16.9	15.4	10.5	7.0	8.0	2.0	1.5
Roslindale	16.0	8.6	8.9	16.2	13.0	12.2	9.3	10.1	3.6	2.1
West Roxbury	11.3	7.0	7.3	14.0	14.2	12.1	9.7	14.0	5.8	4.6
Hyde Park	12.1	7.5	7.3	16.6	15.1	13.8	10.5	10.6	4.2	2.4
City Total*	20.6	10.3	9.5	17.0	13.5	9.9	6.5	7.0	3.0	2.8

* Totals may not sum to exactly 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing, Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 88

HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-19,999	$20,000-24,999	$25,000-29,999	$30,000-39,999	$40,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	Median
East Boston	3,163	1,352	1,392	2,333	1,733	1,165	702	724	289	133	$11,153
Charlestown	1,176	489	401	851	717	485	424	417	202	104	12,738
South Boston	3,570	1,397	1,332	1,916	1,551	1,075	596	797	371	116	10,131
Central	1,924	909	900	1,711	1,501	1,108	638	863	530	740	14,906
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2,480	1,224	1,345	2,541	2,339	1,745	1,128	1,246	710	1,563	16,042
South End	2,699	958	1,106	1,897	1,410	1,082	495	688	289	375	11,806
Fenway-Kenmore	3,682	1,613	1,218	1,979	1,369	661	365	287	126	130	8,362
Allston-Brighton	5,407	3,042	2,809	5,405	4,225	2,632	1,691	1,699	669	490	12,301
Jamaica Plain	2,785	1,791	1,286	2,561	1,795	1,400	1,045	911	324	434	12,545
Roxbury	5,806	2,918	2,713	3,932	2,534	1,524	759	747	374	249	9,392
North Dorchester	1,706	958	921	1,469	1,119	897	558	498	146	98	12,042
South Dorchester	3,753	2,041	1,735	3,404	2,735	2,309	1,592	1,462	772	364	13,751
Mattapan	2,353	1,158	959	1,948	1,776	1,217	810	921	230	175	13,345
Roslindale	1,881	1,007	1,051	1,904	1,526	1,436	1,095	1,188	419	250	15,116
West Roxbury	1,372	855	883	1,696	1,719	1,464	1,179	1,699	708	556	18,645
Hyde Park	1,284	790	768	1,756	1,601	1,457	1,106	1,118	441	254	17,030
City Total	45,032	22,511	20,819	37,297	29,644	21,649	14,183	15,258	6,600	6,031	$12,530

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 91

INCOME OF UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS, BY NEIGHBORHOOD, IN 1979, IN PERCENT

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5.000-7,999	$8,000-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-24,999	$25,000-49,999	$50,000-Or More
East Boston	47.1	16.9	9.4	16.0	9.1	1.4	0.0
Charlestown	40.2	11.4	5.8	18.7	19.4	3.8	0.6
South Boston	45.8	18.7	10.3	13.1	10.1	2.1	0.0
Central	30.0	13.1	7.4	17.6	19.6	9.8	2.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	36.8	12.1	6.9	16.0	18.1	7.8	2.2
South End	36.4	14.2	10.0	17.8	15.7	5.1	0.8
Fenway-Kenmore	70.1	11.8	4.4	7.1	5.2	1.2	0.1
Allston-Brighton	48.0	15.0	8.8	16.7	10.2	1.1	0.2
Jamaica Plain	41.0	16.6	9.4	17.9	12.2	2.3	0.4
Roxbury	44.5	17.5	11.9	16.0	9.3	0.7	0.1
North Dorchester	46.5	17.9	9.4	14.1	11.4	0.7	0.0
South Dorchester	39.5	18.0	10.7	16.4	13.4	1.9	0.1
Mattapan	35.6	14.8	11.2	17.9	16.7	3.5	0.2
Roslindale	35.1	16.5	11.3	21.5	12.0	3.4	0.1
West Roxbury	30.7	16.7	7.9	18.4	22.6	3.5	0.1
Hyde Park	31.3	16.2	11.0	22.1	15.9	3.3	0.2
Planning District	45.2	14.7	8.4	15.4	12.5	3.2	0.6
City Total*	44.9	15.0	8.4	15.4	12.4	3.2	0.6

* Totals may not sum exactly to 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 90

INCOME OF UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS, BY NEIGHBORHOOD, IN 1979

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,999	$8,000-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-24,999	$25,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	Median
East Boston	2,344	842	469	796	453	70	0	$5,558
Charlestown	1,056	298	153	491	510	101	15	7,399
South Boston	2,837	1,155	637	811	623	127	0	5,609
Central	2,954	1,295	730	1,738	1,930	968	238	9,872
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	7,777	2,557	1,467	3,389	3,816	1,649	469	8,300
South End	3,957	1,542	1,091	1,937	1,701	550	87	7,830
Fenway-Kenmore	17,817	2,995	1,128	1,810	1,319	312	21	2,848
Allston-Brighton	15,635	4,877	2,857	5,451	3,327	352	59	5,362
Jamaica Plain	4,326	1,754	996	1,890	1,289	246	42	6,463
Roxbury	4,187	1,647	1,124	1,502	877	70	8	5,786
North Dorchester	1,711	659	347	521	419	26	0	5,530
South Dorchester	3,281	1,498	887	1,365	1,116	162	5	6,541
Mattapan	1,611	669	507	811	756	158	8	7,912
Roslindale	1,639	773	529	1,006	563	157	7	7,734
West Roxbury	1,445	788	370	868	1,066	167	7	8,583
Hyde Park	1,053	546	369	745	536	111	7	8,410
Planning District	73,630	23,895	13,661	25,131	20,301	5,226	973	$5,842
City Total*	73,735	24,631	13,793	25,334	20,388	5,266	973	5,877

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 93

FAMILY INCOME IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-19,999	$20,000-24,999	$25,000-29,999	$30,000-39,999	$40,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	Median
East Boston	1,108	809	886	1,652	1,403	987	647	676	273	128	$14,459
Charlestown	310	294	282	490	477	350	371	315	143	89	16,938
South Boston	1,203	595	630	1,164	1,167	894	528	708	329	116	15,310
Central	336	416	409	604	492	438	277	384	322	421	17,891
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	161	116	105	233	210	381	303	468	306	1,009	32,686
South End	664	270	351	748	544	501	214	318	123	181	14,571
Fenway-Kenmore	299	237	193	397	287	185	150	142	54	66	13,412
Allston-Brighton	1,073	848	921	1,698	1,741	1,309	1,023	1,064	452	319	16,921
Jamaica Plain	1,290	1,030	627	1,351	1,056	860	724	639	207	338	14,122
Roxbury	3,217	1,936	1,682	2,756	1,899	1,203	705	609	298	217	10,773
North Dorchester	683	549	620	1,007	804	752	531	458	149	141	14,939
South Dorchester	1,701	1,205	1,119	2,373	2,045	1,983	1,385	1,288	681	326	16,601
Mattapan	1,486	839	685	1,301	1,334	934	697	806	182	130	14,561
Roslindale	691	576	673	1,228	1,225	1,209	973	1,000	385	219	18,760
West Roxbury	322	320	508	1,065	1,146	1,121	1,018	1,582	643	539	23,451
Hyde Park	513	410	496	1,202	1,267	1,284	976	1,030	417	240	20,113
City Total	15,507	10,459	10,187	19,269	17,091	14,383	10,522	11,487	4,947	4,430	$16,062

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 92

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1979 AND 1969

Planning District	1979	1969	Percent Change, 1969 to 1979
East Boston	$14,459	$8,620	67.7%
Charlestown	16,938	8,827	91.9
South Boston	15,318	8,704	76.0
Central	17,891	12,422	44.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	32,686	14,534	124.9
South End	14,571	6,122	138.0
Fenway-Kenmore	13,412	7,232	85.5
Allston-Brighton	16,921	9,626	75.8
Jamaica Plain	14,122	8,907	58.5
Roxbury	10,773	6,582	63.7
North Dorchester	14,939	8,513	75.5
South Dorchester	16,601	9,739	70.5
Mattapan	14,561	8,573	69.8
Roslindale	18,760	10,539	78.0
West Roxbury	23,451	12,285	90.9
Hyde Park	20,113	10,693	88.1
Boston Total	16,062	9,133	75.9

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980: Summary Tape File 3.
U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1970.
Prepared by S. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

1970 FAMILY INCOME DISTRIBUTION

Planning Districts	Total Families	Less Than $1,000	$1,000-1,999	$2,000-2,999	$3,000-3,999	$4,000-6,999	$7,000-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-24,999	$25,000 or more	Median
East Boston	10,098	236	343	493	558	1,959	2,605	2,648	1,155	101	$ 8,620
Charlestown	3,517	105	118	195	181	645	880	808	478	107	8,827
South Boston	9,115	277	296	512	580	1,788	1,944	2,416	1,151	151	8,704
Central	3,685	117	120	198	200	689	890	828	416	227	8,734
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	3,639	69	59	83	99	370	466	731	851	911	14,534
South End	3,952	188	212	382	419	1,134	615	646	295	61	6,122
Fenway-Kenmore	3,286	140	70	181	311	874	688	646	280	96	7,232
Allston-Brighton	13,389	231	247	576	553	2,343	3,155	3,526	2,337	421	9,626
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	10,380	340	260	630	699	1,978	2,056	2,406	1,519	492	8,907
Washington Park-Model City	16,358	821	796	1,435	1,448	4,264	3,188	3,132	1,145	129	6,582
Washington Park	4,838	254	200	349	426	1,220	984	990	384	31	6,937
Campus High	485	27	50	72	43	144	74	48	22	5	4,885
Model City	11,035	540	546	1,014	979	2,900	2,130	2,094	739	93	6,476
Dorchester	36,915	1,125	988	1,636	2,024	6,721	8,337	9,876	5,383	825	9,111
Dorchester 1	7,664	370	244	376	426	1,512	1,761	1,921	921	133	8,513
Dorchester 2	17,871	392	408	651	831	2,927	4,071	5,138	2,999	454	9,739
Mattapan	11,380	363	336	609	767	2,282	2,505	2,817	1,463	238	8,573
Roslindale	9,850	135	135	294	327	1,448	2,184	3,083	1,883	361	10,539
West Roxbury	8,695	101	107	116	199	924	1,577	2,814	2,258	599	12,285
Hyde Park	9,127	118	160	217	308	1,091	2,218	2,889	1,829	297	10,693
Planning District Totals	142,006	4,003	3,911	6,948	7,906	26,228	30,803	36,449	20,980	4,778	9,133
Harbor Islands	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	6	-	-
Crews of Vessels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
City Totals	142,019	4,009	3,911	6,948	7,906	26,228	30,803	36,456	20,986	4,778	$9,133

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, Fourth Count Summary Tape

Table 92

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1979 AND 1969

Planning District	1979	1969	Percent Change, 1969 to 1979
East Boston	$14,459	$8,620	67.7%
Charlestown	16,938	8,827	91.9
South Boston	15,318	8,704	76.0
Central	17,891	12,422	44.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	32,686	14,534	124.9
South End	14,571	6,122	138.0
Fenway-Kenmore	13,412	7,232	85.5
Allston-Brighton	16,921	9,626	75.8
Jamaica Plain	14,122	8,907	58.5
Roxbury	10,773	6,582	63.7
North Dorchester	14,939	8,513	75.5
South Dorchester	16,601	9,739	70.5
Mattapan	14,561	8,573	69.8
Roslindale	18,760	10,539	78.0
West Roxbury	23,451	12,285	90.9
Hyde Park	20,113	10,693	88.1
Boston Total	16,062	9,133	75.9

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980: Summary Tape File 3.
U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1970.
Prepared by S. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

1970 FAMILY INCOME DISTRIBUTION

Planning Districts	Total Families	Less Than $1,000	$1,000-1,999	$2,000-2,999	$3,000-3,999	$4,000-6,999	$7,000-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-24,999	$25,000 or more	Median
East Boston	10,098	236	343	493	558	1,959	2,605	2,648	1,155	101	$ 8,620
Charlestown	3,517	105	118	195	181	645	880	808	478	107	8,827
South Boston	9,115	277	296	512	580	1,788	1,944	2,416	1,151	151	8,704
Central	3,685	117	120	198	200	689	890	828	416	227	8,734
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	3,639	69	59	83	99	370	466	731	851	911	14,534
South End	3,952	188	212	382	419	1,134	615	646	295	61	6,122
Fenway-Kenmore	3,286	140	70	181	311	874	688	646	280	96	7,232
Allston-Brighton	13,389	231	247	576	553	2,343	3,155	3,526	2,337	421	9,626
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	10,380	340	260	630	699	1,978	2,056	2,406	1,519	492	8,907
Washington Park-Model City	16,358	821	796	1,435	1,448	4,264	3,188	3,132	1,145	129	6,582
Washington Park	4,838	254	200	349	426	1,220	984	990	384	31	6,937
Campus High	485	27	50	72	43	144	74	48	22	5	4,885
Model City	11,035	540	546	1,014	979	2,900	2,130	2,094	739	93	6,476
Dorchester	36,915	1,125	988	1,636	2,024	6,721	8,337	9,876	5,383	825	9,111
Dorchester 1	7,664	370	244	376	426	1,512	1,761	1,921	921	133	8,513
Dorchester 2	17,871	392	408	651	831	2,927	4,071	5,138	2,999	454	9,739
Mattapan	11,380	363	336	609	767	2,282	2,505	2,817	1,463	238	8,573
Roslindale	9,850	135	135	294	327	1,448	2,184	3,083	1,883	361	10,539
West Roxbury	8,695	101	107	116	199	924	1,577	2,814	2,258	599	12,285
Hyde Park	9,127	118	160	217	308	1,091	2,218	2,889	1,829	297	10,693
Planning District Totals	142,006	4,003	3,911	6,948	7,906	26,228	30,803	36,449	20,980	4,778	9,133
Harbor Islands	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	6	-	-
Crews of Vessels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
City Totals	142,019	4,009	3,911	6,948	7,906	26,228	30,803	36,456	20,986	4,778	$9,133

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, Fourth Count Summary Tape

Table 94

FAMILY INCOME IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD, IN PERCENT

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-19,999	$20,000-24,999	$25,000-29,999	$30,000-39,999	$40,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More
East Boston	12.9	9.4	10.3	19.3	16.4	11.5	7.6	7.9	3.2	1.5
Charlestown	9.9	9.4	9.0	15.7	15.3	11.2	11.9	10.1	4.6	2.9
South Boston	16.4	8.1	8.6	15.9	15.9	12.2	7.2	9.7	4.5	1.6
Central	8.2	10.1	10.0	14.7	12.0	10.7	6.8	9.4	7.9	10.3
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	4.9	3.5	3.2	7.1	6.4	11.6	9.2	14.2	9.3	30.7
South End	17.0	6.9	9.0	19.1	13.9	12.8	5.5	8.1	3.1	4.6
Fenway-Kenmore	14.9	11.8	9.6	19.8	14.3	9.2	7.5	7.1	2.7	3.3
Allston-Brighton	10.3	8.1	8.8	16.3	16.7	12.5	9.8	10.2	4.3	3.1
Jamaica Plain	15.9	12.7	7.7	16.6	13.0	10.6	8.9	7.9	2.5	4.2
Roxbury	22.2	13.3	11.6	19.0	13.1	8.3	4.9	4.2	2.1	1.5
North Dorchester	12.0	9.6	10.9	17.7	14.1	13.2	9.3	8.0	2.6	2.5
South Dorchester	12.1	8.5	7.9	16.8	14.5	14.1	9.8	9.1	4.8	2.3
Mattapan	17.7	10.0	8.2	15.5	15.9	11.1	8.3	9.6	2.2	1.5
Roslindale	8.4	7.0	8.2	15.0	15.0	14.8	11.9	12.2	4.7	2.7
West Roxbury	3.9	3.9	6.1	12.9	13.9	13.6	12.3	19.1	7.8	6.5
Hyde Park	6.5	5.2	6.3	15.3	16.2	16.4	12.5	13.1	5.3	3.1
City Total*	13.1	8.8	8.6	16.3	14.4	12.2	8.9	9.7	4.2	3.7

* Totals may not sum to exactly 100.0 percent due to rounding.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.
Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

FAMILY INCOME OF WHITE HOUSEHOLDERS IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000 14,999	$15,000 19,999	$20,000 24,999	$25,000 34,999	$35,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	Total
East Boston	1,085	804	872	1,620	1,386	979	1,102	484	128	8,460
Charlestown	270	225	188	321	311	224	384	135	72	2,130
South Boston	1,193	595	619	1,164	1,161	894	835	600	116	7,289
Central	236	284	227	440	369	388	470	419	375	3,208
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	125	103	77	211	201	369	521	534	1,035	3,176
South End	126	66	55	150	129	191	184	182	148	1,231
Fenway-Kenmore	146	192	147	216	164	100	183	89	58	1,295
Allston-Brighton	906	716	745	1,458	1,539	1,139	1,610	729	297	9,139
Jamaica Plain	475	451	310	715	767	611	921	403	267	4,960
Roxbury	175	132	131	153	182	82	150	84	26	1,115
North Dorchester	322	319	397	656	666	628	706	267	92	4,053
South Dorchester	713	706	632	1,500	1,123	1,555	1,662	977	291	9,522
Mattapan	129	126	85	231	182	134	204	170	56	1,317
Roslindale	551	507	591	1,130	1,163	1,171	1,497	781	219	7,610
West Roxbury	315	314	499	1,050	1,107	1,121	1,956	1,249	529	8,140
Hyde Park	379	364	443	1,011	1,142	1,098	1,368	729	235	6,769
Planning District Total	7,145	5,904	6,018	12,026	11,592	10,684	13,753	7,832	3,944	79,071
City Total*	7,172	5,973	6,093	12,171	12,121	10,810	14,076	7,915	4,001	80,332

* Planning Districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, MA, Table P-6.

R/10/29/84 MOB

Table 96

PERCENT COMPOSITION OF 1970 FAMILY INCOME DISTRIBUTION

Planning Districts	Total Families	Less Than $1,000	$1,000-1,999	$2,000-2,999	$3,000-3,999	$4,000-6,999	$7,000-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-24,999	$25,000 or more
East Boston	100.0	2.3	3.4	4.9	5.5	19.4	25.8	26.2	11.5	1.0
Charlestown	100.0	3.0	3.4	5.5	5.2	18.3	25.0	23.0	13.6	3.0
South Boston	100.0	3.0	3.3	5.6	6.4	19.6	21.3	26.5	12.6	1.7
Central	100.0	3.2	3.3	5.4	5.4	18.7	24.1	22.4	11.3	6.2
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	1.9	1.6	2.3	2.7	10.2	12.8	20.1	23.4	25.0
South End	100.0	4.7	5.4	9.7	10.6	28.6	15.6	16.4	7.5	1.5
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	4.3	2.1	5.5	9.5	26.6	20.9	19.7	8.5	2.9
Allston-Brighton	100.0	1.7	1.8	4.3	4.1	17.6	23.6	26.3	17.5	3.1
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	100.0	3.3	2.5	6.1	6.7	19.1	19.8	23.2	14.6	4.7
Washington Park-Model City	100.0	5.0	4.9	8.8	8.8	26.1	19.4	19.2	7.0	.8
Washington Park	100.0	5.3	4.1	7.2	8.8	25.2	20.3	20.5	7.9	.7
Campus High	100.0	5.6	10.3	14.8	8.9	29.7	15.3	9.9	4.5	1.0
Model City	100.0	4.9	4.9	9.2	8.9	26.3	19.3	19.0	6.7	.8
Dorchester	100.0	3.1	2.7	4.4	5.5	18.2	22.5	26.8	14.6	2.2
Dorchester 1	100.0	4.8	3.2	4.9	5.6	19.7	23.0	25.1	12.0	1.7
Dorchester 2	100.0	2.2	2.3	3.7	4.7	16.4	22.7	28.8	16.8	2.5
Mattapan	100.0	3.2	3.0	5.3	6.7	20.1	22.0	24.7	12.9	2.1
Roslindale	100.0	1.4	1.4	3.0	3.3	14.7	22.2	31.3	19.1	3.6
West Roxbury	100.0	1.2	1.2	1.3	2.3	10.6	18.1	32.4	26.0	6.9
Hyde Park	100.0	1.3	1.8	2.4	3.4	12.0	24.2	31.7	20.0	3.2
Planning Districts Total	100.0	2.8	2.7	4.9	5.6	18.5	21.7	25.7	14.8	3.3
Harbor Islands	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	53.8	46.2	-
Crews of Vessels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
City Totals	100.0	2.8	2.7	4.9	5.6	18.5	21.7	25.7	14.8	3.3

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, Fourth Count Summary Tape.

Table

FAMILY INCOME OF BLACK HOUSEHOLDERS IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000 14,999	$15,000 19,999	$20,000 24,999	$25,000 34,999	$35,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	Total
East Boston	5	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Charlestown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Boston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central	0	0	14	16	0	10	8	0	0	48
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	8	13	11	32	6	15	25	0	0	110
South End	578	350	294	511	294	249	144	56	42	2,518
Fenway-Kenmore	82	33	11	81	38	19	3	5	6	278
Allston-Brighton	86	32	90	72	46	56	12	3	5	402
Jamaica Plain	442	316	174	373	177	141	135	28	17	1,803
Roxbury	2,247	1,293	1,140	2,110	1,439	981	815	380	172	10,656
North Dorchester	188	176	140	256	85	87	83	6	0	1,021
South Dorchester	829	371	378	730	498	398	422	156	35	3,817
Mattapan	1,281	629	566	1,030	1,131	786	981	367	66	6,837
Roslindale	128	53	53	58	30	10	0	5	0	337
West Roxbury	0	0	0	6	21	0	7	5	6	45
Hyde Park	140	39	59	184	108	151	215	53	5	954
Planning District Total	6,014	3,305	2,934	5,459	3,873	2,903	2,850	1,064	354	28,756
City Total*	6,014	3,305	3,023	5,459	3,880	2,903	2,850	1,068	354	28,856

- Information suppressed by the Census Bureau.
* Planning District totals may not sum to City Total.

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, MA, Table P-6.

R/10/29/84 MOB

Table 98

FAMILY INCOME OF WHITE HOUSEHOLDERS IN 1979, PERCENT DISTRIBUTION, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000 14,999	$15,000 19,999	$20,000 24,999	$25,000 34,999	$35,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	All Incomes
East Boston	12.8	9.5	10.3	19.1	16.4	11.6	13.0	5.7	1.5	100.0
Charlestown	12.7	10.6	8.8	15.1	14.6	10.5	18.0	6.3	3.4	100.0
South Boston	16.4	8.2	8.5	16.0	15.9	12.3	11.5	8.2	1.6	100.0
Central	7.4	8.9	7.1	13.7	11.5	12.1	14.7	13.1	11.7	100.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	3.9	3.2	2.4	6.6	6.3	11.6	16.4	16.8	32.6	100.0
South End	10.2	5.4	4.5	12.2	10.5	15.5	14.9	14.8	12.0	100.0
Fenway-Kenmore	11.3	14.8	11.4	16.7	12.7	7.7	14.1	6.9	4.5	100.0
Allston-Brighton	9.9	7.8	8.2	16.0	16.8	12.5	17.6	8.0	3.2	100.0
Jamaica Plain	9.6	9.1	6.2	14.4	15.5	12.3	18.6	8.1	5.4	100.0
Roxbury	15.7	11.8	11.7	13.7	16.3	7.4	13.5	7.5	2.3	100.0
North Dorchester	7.9	7.9	9.8	16.2	16.4	15.5	17.4	6.6	2.3	100.0
South Dorchester	7.5	7.4	6.6	15.8	11.8	16.3	17.5	10.3	3.1	100.0
Mattapan	9.8	9.6	6.5	17.5	13.8	10.2	15.5	12.9	4.3	100.0
Roslindale	7.2	6.7	7.8	14.8	15.3	15.4	19.7	10.3	2.9	100.0
West Roxbury	3.9	3.9	6.1	12.9	13.6	13.8	24.0	15.3	6.5	100.0
Hyde Park	5.6	5.4	6.5	14.9	16.9	16.2	20.2	10.8	3.5	100.0
Planning District Total	9.0	7.5	7.6	15.2	14.7	13.5	17.4	9.9	5.0	100.0
City Total*	8.9	7.4	7.6	15.2	15.1	13.5	17.5	9.9	5.0	100.0

* Proportions in income categories may not sum to 100 percent due to suppression.

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, MA, Table P-6.

Table 101

FAMILY INCOME OF ASIANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-19,999	$20,000-24,999	$25,000-34,999	$35,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	Total
East Boston	-	-	10	5	-	8	-	-	-	23
Charlestown	-	-	9	24	-	-	-	-	-	33
South Boston	-	-	-	-	6	-	6	-	-	12
Central	105	118	174	124	130	67	45	15	25	803
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	21	-	17	11	10	6	20	26	-	111
South End	51	75	98	153	159	77	56	56	6	731
Fenway-Kenmore	46	-	23	48	20	38	33	-	2	210
Allston-Brighton	71	58	76	146	119	114	101	59	17	761
Jamaica Plain	7	-	9	45	25	55	11	5	5	162
Roxbury	-	-	-	-	3	12	-	-	-	15
North Dorchester	-	-	8	-	-	6	-	13	-	27
South Dorchester	-	9	-	14	-	-	14	-	-	40
Mattapan	7	16	-	-	12	8	-	-	-	64
Roslindale	-	9	16	20	13	29	34	8	-	129
West Roxbury	7	-	-	9	-	-	5	13	4	38
Hyde Park	-	-	-	5	-	25	20	11	-	61
Planning District Total	315	285	440	604	497	445	345	206	59	3,196
City Total*	334	290	465	660	505	450	357	224	59	3,344

- Too small to report or equal to zero.

* Planning District totals may not sum to City Total.

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, MA, Table P-6.

R/10/29/84 MOB

Table 100

FAMILY INCOME OF BLACK HOUSEHOLDERS IN 1979, PERCENT DISTRIBUTION, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000 14,999	$15,000 19,999	$20,000 24,999	$25,000 34,999	$35,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	All Incomes
East Boston	55.6	0.0	44.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Charlestown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Boston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central	0.0	0.0	29.2	33.3	0.0	20.8	16.7	0.0	0.0	100.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	7.3	11.8	10.0	29.1	5.5	13.6	22.7	0.0	0.0	100.0
South End	23.0	13.9	11.7	20.3	11.7	9.9	5.7	2.2	1.7	100.0
Fenway-Kenmore	29.5	11.9	4.0	29.1	13.7	6.8	1.1	1.8	2.2	100.0
Allston-Brighton	21.4	8.0	22.4	17.9	11.4	13.9	3.0	0.7	1.2	100.0
Jamaica Plain	24.5	17.5	9.7	20.7	9.8	7.8	7.5	1.6	0.9	100.0
Roxbury	21.1	12.1	10.7	19.8	13.5	9.2	7.6	3.6	1.6	100.0
North Dorchester	18.4	17.2	13.7	25.1	8.3	8.5	8.1	0.6	0.0	100.0
South Dorchester	21.7	9.7	9.9	19.1	13.0	10.4	11.1	4.1	0.9	100.0
Mattapan	18.7	9.2	8.3	15.1	16.5	11.5	14.3	5.4	1.0	100.0
Roslindale	38.0	15.7	15.7	17.2	8.9	3.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	100.0
West Roxbury	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	46.7	0.0	15.6	11.1	13.3	100.0
Hyde Park	14.7	4.1	6.2	19.3	11.3	15.8	22.5	5.6	0.5	100.0
Planning District Total	20.9	11.5	10.2	19.0	13.5	10.1	9.9	3.7	1.2	100.0
City Total*	20.8	11.5	10.5	18.9	13.4	10.1	9.9	3.7	1.2	100.0

* Proportions in income categories may not sum to 100 percent due to suppression.

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, MA, Table P-6.

Table 103

FAMILY INCOME OF HOUSEHOLDERS OF SPANISH ORIGIN IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000-14,999	$15,000-19,999	$20,000-24,999	$25,000-34,999	$35,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	Total
East Boston	64	0	52	65	47	5	20	0	0	253
Charlestown	0	0	0	11	0	0	7	18	0	36
South Boston	18	0	0	7	6	0	0	0	0	31
Central	26	27	0	7	0	0	29	0	9	100
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	15	5	6	21	0	5	22	8	7	89
South End	245	82	32	257	63	4	9	8	0	700
Fenway-Kenmore	14	31	6	37	61	9	0	0	0	158
Allston-Brighton	135	109	25	62	149	38	55	35	0	608
Jamaica Plain	504	395	208	367	175	142	112	46	9	1,958
Roxbury	624	331	252	236	168	85	61	47	0	1,804
North Dorchester	197	68	80	123	28	41	57	25	0	619
South Dorchester	210	143	125	108	69	49	45	53	0	802
Mattapan	114	45	45	20	39	9	40	19	0	331
Roslindale	36	27	30	28	40	15	42	23	7	248
West Roxbury	7	0	0	14	24	0	31	10	0	86
Hyde Park	16	7	13	7	17	20	28	9	10	127
Planning District Total	2,225	1,270	874	1,370	880	422	558	301	35	7,950
City Total*	2,247	1,270	874	1,418	886	460	598	301	48	8,102

* Planning District totals may not sum to City Total.

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, MA, Table P-6.

R/MOB 10/84

Table 102

FAMILY INCOME OF ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLAND HOUSEHOLDERS IN 1979, PERCENT DISTRIBUTION, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000 14,999	$15,000 19,999	$20,000 24,999	$25,000 34,999	$35,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	All Incomes
East Boston	-	-	43.5	21.7	-	34.8	-	-	-	100.0
Charlestown	-	-	27.3	72.7	-	-	-	-	-	100.0
South Boston	-	-	-	-	50.0	-	50.0	-	-	100.0
Central	13.1	14.7	21.7	15.4	16.2	8.3	5.6	1.9	3.1	100.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	18.9	-	15.3	9.9	9.0	5.4	18.0	23.4	-	100.0
South End	7.0	10.3	13.4	20.9	21.8	10.5	7.7	7.7	0.8	100.0
Fenway-Kenmore	21.9	-	11.0	22.9	9.5	18.1	15.7	-	1.0	100.0
Allston-Brighton	9.3	7.6	10.0	19.2	15.6	15.0	13.3	7.8	2.2	100.0
Jamaica Plain	4.3	-	5.6	27.8	15.4	34.0	6.8	3.1	3.1	100.0
Roxbury	-	-	-	-	20.0	80.0	-	-	-	100.0
North Dorchester	-	-	29.6	-	-	22.2	-	48.1	-	100.0
South Dorchester	-	22.5	-	35.0	-	-	35.0	-	-	100.0
Mattapan	10.9	25.0	-	-	18.8	12.5	-	-	-	100.0
Roslindale	-	7.0	12.4	15.5	10.1	22.5	26.4	6.2	-	100.0
West Roxbury	18.4	-	-	23.7	-	-	13.2	34.2	10.5	100.0
Hyde Park	-	-	-	8.2	-	41.0	32.8	18.0	-	100.0
Planning District Total	9.9	8.9	13.8	18.9	15.6	13.9	10.8	6.4	1.8	100.0
City Total*	10.0	8.7	13.9	19.7	15.1	13.5	10.7	6.7	1.8	100.0

* Proportions in income categories may not sum to 100 percent due to suppression.

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, MA, Table P-6.

Table 105

POVERTY STATUS IN 1979, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning District	Families In Poverty	Percent Of Total Families	Unrelated Individuals In Poverty	Percent of Tot Unrelated Individuals
East Boston	1,291	15.1	1,147	23.1
Charlestown	503	16.1	501	19.7
South Boston	1,429	19.5	1,396	22.6
Central	429	10.5	1,790	19.7
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	185	5.6	3,930	21.6
South End	769	19.6	2,536	23.6
Fenway-Kenmore	332	16.5	5,605	40.7
Allston-Brighton	1,318	12.6	9,109	32.0
Jamaica Plain	1,814	22.3	2,548	25.9
Roxbury	4,382	30.2	2,795	29.7
North Dorchester	1,021	18.1	967	26.3
South Dorchester	2,398	17.0	2,043	25.0
Mattapan	2,050	24.4	1,143	25.3
Roslindale	891	10.9	914	19.6
West Roxbury	281	3.4	702	14.9
Hyde Park	587	7.5	582	17.3
Planning District Totals	19,680	16.7	37,708	26.5
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	-	-	14	51.9
City Totals*	19,679	16.7	37,725	26.5

* Planning districts may not sum to City total.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing, Summary Tape File 3. Prepared b
R. S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department

Table 104

FAMILY INCOME OF HOUSEHOLDERS OF SPANISH ORIGIN IN 1979, PERCENT DISTRIBUTION, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

Planning Districts	Under $5,000	$5,000-7,499	$7,500-9,999	$10,000 14,999	$15,000 19,999	$20,000 24,999	$25,000 34,999	$35,000-49,999	$50,000 Or More	All Incomes
East Boston	25.3	0.0	20.6	25.7	18.6	2.0	7.9	0.0	0.0	100.0
Charlestown	0.0	0.0	0.0	30.6	0.0	0.0	19.4	50.0	0.0	100.0
South Boston	58.1	0.0	0.0	22.6	19.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Central	26.0	27.0	0.0	7.0	0.0	0.0	29.0	0.0	9.0	100.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	16.9	5.6	6.7	23.6	0.0	5.6	24.7	9.0	7.9	100.0
South End	35.0	11.7	4.6	36.7	9.0	0.6	1.3	1.1	0.0	100.0
Fenway-Kenmore	8.9	19.6	3.8	23.4	38.6	5.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Allston-Brighton	22.2	17.9	4.1	10.2	24.5	6.2	9.0	5.8	0.0	100.0
Jamaica Plain	25.7	20.2	10.6	18.7	8.9	7.3	5.7	2.3	0.5	100.0
Roxbury	34.6	18.3	14.0	13.1	9.3	4.7	3.4	2.6	0.0	100.0
North Dorchester	31.8	11.0	12.9	19.9	4.5	6.6	9.2	4.0	0.0	100.0
South Dorchester	26.2	17.8	15.6	13.5	8.6	6.1	5.6	6.6	0.0	100.0
Mattapan	34.4	13.6	13.6	6.0	11.8	2.7	12.1	5.7	0.0	100.0
Roslindale	14.5	10.9	12.1	11.3	16.1	6.0	16.9	9.3	2.8	100.0
West Roxbury	8.1	0.0	0.0	16.3	27.9	0.0	36.0	11.6	0.0	100.0
Hyde Park	12.6	5.5	10.2	5.5	13.4	15.7	22.0	7.1	7.9	100.0
Planning District Total	28.0	16.0	11.0	17.2	11.1	5.3	7.0	3.8	0.4	100.0
City Total*	27.7	15.7	10.8	17.5	10.9	5.7	7.4	3.7	0.6	100.0

* Proportions in income categories may not sum to 100 percent due to suppression.

Source: U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, MA, Table P-6.

Table 107

POVERTY STATUS, IN 1979, BY RACE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Total			White*			Black*		
	1979 Income: Above Poverty	1979 Income: Below Poverty	Percent in Poverty	1979 Income: Above Poverty	1979 Income: Below Poverty	Percent in Poverty	1979 Income: Above Poverty	1979 Income: Below Poverty	Percent in Poverty
East Boston	26,438	5,308	16.7	27,035	4,224	13.5	29	22	43.1
Charlestown	10,870	2,400	18.1	10,630	2,273	17.6	47	13	21.6
South Boston	23,749	6,002	20.2	16,230	5,048	23.7	-	-	-
Central	17,520	3,042	14.8	14,398	2,074	12.6	346	78	24.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	22,609	4,698	17.2	21,299	4,055	16.0	766	269	26.0
South End	20,461	6,101	23.0	8,512	1,708	16.7	8,028	3,042	27.5
Fenway-Kenmore	11,781	6,381	35.1	9,408	5,017	34.8	1,369	870	38.9
Allston-Brighton	46,854	13,364	22.2	41,744	11,584	21.7	1,631	659	28.8
Jamaica Plain	28,272	9,122	24.4	19,388	4,120	17.5	5,056	2,416	32.3
Roxbury	38,356	17,781	31.7	3,916	1,233	23.9	31,096	13,141	29.7
North Dorchester	18,484	4,979	21.2	14.034	2,305	14.1	2,785	1,312	32.0
South Dorchester	47,096	10,826	18.7	33,856	4,756	12.3	11,461	4,890	29.9
Mattapan	26,179	8,675	24.9	4,376	716	14.1	21,333	7,365	25.7
Roslindale	27,765	4,055	12.7	26,227	3,378	11.4	712	575	44.7
West Roxbury	29,233	1,562	5.1	28,806	1,497	4.9	122	7	5.7
Hyde Park	27,279	2,457	9.0	20,182	1,625	7.5	3,003	585	16.3
City Total	422,946	106,753	20.2	310,015	57,788	15.7	87,871	35,257	28.6

* Information subject to suppression by the U.S. Bureau of Census.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, Neighborhood Statistics, P-44, Boston, Mass.

Note: The statistics presented here describe the poverty of some 94 percent of the total population, 93 percent of the white population, and 97 percent of the black population.

Table 106

POVERTY IN BOSTON, 1970

Number of Families and Unrelated Individuals with Incomes Below Poverty Guidelines, Adjusted for Family Size

	Families	Individuals with Incomes Less than $1,999
East Boston	1,093	1,388
Charlestown	484	681
South Boston	1,230	1,935
Central	409	1,810
Back Bay/Beacon Hill	173	7,824
South End	968	3,490
Fenway/Kenmore	413	13,867
Allston/Brighton	932	7,292
Jamaica Plain/Parker Hill	1,499	3,850
Washington Park	906	711
Campus High	148	128
Model Cities	2,610	1,851
Dorchester, No.	1,204	994
Dorchester, So.	1,753	1,811
Mattapan	853	1,346
Roslindale	540	760
West Roxbury	290	584
Hyde Park	479	723
BOSTON	15,984	51,045
Percent of All	11.3%	39.2%

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Census, 1970
Census of Population and Housing, fourth count summary tape.

Table 109

POVERTY STATUS OF PERSONS AGED 65 AND OVER IN 1979, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	1979 Income Below Poverty	Total Elderly Reported	Percent of Elderly in Poverty
East Boston	620	4,879	12.7
Charlestown	192	1,659	11.6
South Boston	780	4,530	17.2
Central	642	3,172	20.2
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	260	2,525	10.3
South End	628	2,578	24.4
Fenway-Kenmore	257	1,952	13.2
Allston-Brighton	1,080	7,732	14.0
Jamaica Plain	476	4,336	11.0
Roxbury	786	4,162	18.9
North Dorchester	292	2,631	11.1
South Dorchester	818	6,833	12.0
Mattapan	269	1,717	13.5
Roslindale	478	5,126	9.3
West Roxbury	400	6,418	6.2
Hyde Park	330	3,841	8.6
Planning District Total	8,308	64,091	12.9
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	7	-	-
City Total*	8,315	64,367	12.9

* Planning Districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, Neighborhood Statistics, P-44 Boston, Mass.

Note: The statistics presented here describe the poverty status of some 90 percent of persons aged 65 years and over.

Table 108

POVERTY STATUS OF PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN, IN 1979, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Income Above Poverty	Income Below Poverty	Percent with Income Below Poverty
East Boston	727	257	26.1
Charlestown	138	6	4.3
South Boston	44	32	42.1
Central	294	153	34.2
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	490	283	36.6
South End	2,047	1,257	38.0
Fenway-Kenmore	619	266	30.1
Allston-Brighton	1,736	1,091	38.6
Jamaica Plain	4,522	3,289	42.1
Roxbury	3,656	3,979	52.1
North Dorchester	1,425	1,409	49.7
South Dorchester	1,982	1,701	46.2
Mattapan	1,228	689	35.9
Roslindale	791	251	24.1
West Roxbury	395	19	4.6
Hyde Park	390	144	27.0
Planning District Total	20,484	14,826	42.0
City Total*	20,571	14,813	41.9

* Planning Districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, Neighborhood Statistics, P-44, Boston, Mass.

Note: The statistics presented here describe the poverty status of some 65 percent of the hispanic population.

Table 111

Percent of Households with Income by Income Type in 1979

Planning Districts	All Households With Income	Earnings	Income Other Than Earnings: Interest, Dividends, Net Rental	Social Security Income	Public Assistance Income	All Other Income
East Boston	12,986	68.6	28.4	32.3	18.5	21.5
Charlestown	5,266	72.9	35.5	27.5	18.0	24.4
South Boston	12,731	63.6	23.1	32.9	21.0	24.6
Central	10,780	80.7	46.5	21.2	8.0	14.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	16,827	83.6	54.0	11.4	3.1	12.9
South End	12,167	68.0	28.5	17.0	17.1	12.7
Fenway-Kenmore	11,240	79.4	40.5	16.0	6.3	16.8
Allston-Brighton	28,069	79.9	48.0	22.6	8.1	18.2
Jamaica Plain	14,553	73.6	36.6	24.1	18.4	20.5
Roxbury	19,828	74.8	13.8	22.1	35.1	18.7
North Dorchester	8,491	71.8	24.3	25.9	22.6	21.4
South Dorchester	20,081	72.9	29.6	27.4	17.7	24.4
Mattapan	11,556	77.5	17.4	14.8	24.2	17.7
Roslindale	11,742	74.4	39.3	33.3	13.8	26.0
West Roxbury	12,131	75.4	49.7	37.7	6.8	27.5
Hyde Park	10,576	81.0	40.3	29.2	8.7	25.2
Planning District Total	219,024	75.3	35.2	24.2	15.4	20.1
City Total	219,024	75.3	35.2	24.2	15.4	20.1

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, 1980. STF 3.

Table 110

Number of Households With Income by Income Type in 1979

Planning Districts	All Households With Income	Earnings	Income Other Than Earnings: Interest, Dividends, Net Rental	Income Other Than Earnings: Social Security Income	Income Other Than Earnings: Public Assistance Income	Income Other Than Earnings: All Other Income
East Boston	12,986	8,907	3,684	4,197	2,402	2,787
Charlestown	5,266	3,839	1,870	1,446	950	1,283
South Boston	12,731	8,097	2,941	4,183	2,671	3,130
Central	10,780	8,697	5,012	2,284	867	1,552
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	16,827	14,076	9,082	1,927	530	2,179
South End	12,167	8,278	3,469	2,066	2,081	1,540
Fenway-Kenmore	11,240	8,924	4,548	1,800	713	1,891
Allston-Brighton	28,069	22,432	13,467	6,331	2,287	5,121
Jamaica Plain	14,553	10,713	5,324	3,514	2,681	2,990
Roxbury	19,828	14,834	2,737	4,379	6,966	3,706
North Dorchester	8,491	6,101	2,061	2,199	1,922	1,815
South Dorchester	20,081	14,638	5,953	5,508	3,551	4,897
Mattapan	11,556	8,955	2,009	1,715	2,792	2,048
Roslindale	11,742	8,740	4,615	3,905	1,620	3,050
West Roxbury	12,131	9,151	6,030	4,569	827	3,340
Hyde Park	10,576	8,565	4,266	3,090	924	2,661
Planning District	219,024	164,948	77,068	53,113	33,784	43,990
City Total*	219,024	164,920	77,061	53,113	33,793	43,990

*Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City Total.

Source: Census of Population and Housing, 1980. Summary Tape File 3.

Housing

The total number of housing units in Boston increased by about 4 percent between 1970 and 1980. Large increases occurred in Charlestown, Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, South End, Allston-Brighton, and West Roxbury. These planning districts have experienced general upgrading as residental areas, indicated by new construction, conversion of apartments to condominiums, and conversion of nonresidental structures into housing. Table 112 reflects the net change in each neighborhood resulting from both these additions to the housing stock and losses from demolitions and conversions of residential properties to non-residential use. Mattapan, Roxbury, South Dorchester, and Fenway-Kenmore had the largest losses in housing units.

Number of Housing Units in Structure

Underlying this increase to 241,343 housing units in 1980 from 232,407 in 1970 were increases in the number of single-family homes and structures with 5 or more units. The number of housing units in 2 to 4 unit structures declined during the decade, as seen by comparing Tables 113 and 115.

Single family homes increased by almost 10 percent to 37,746 in 1980. The largest increases occurred in West Roxbury, Allston-Brighton, Hyde Park, Mattapan, South Dorchester and Roxbury. The number of single dwellings increased by 35 percent in Allston-Brighton, 22 percent in Mattapan, 18 percent in Roxbury and 17 percent in West Roxbury. In 1980, the largest number of single family dwellings were in West Roxbury, Hyde Park, South Dorchester and Roslindale, which together contained 54 percent of the single housing units.

While Boston as a whole lost 5 percent of its housing units in two-unit structures, the pattern was uneven through the neighborhoods. Several

V. Housing

Fenway-Kenmore, 85 percent in Back Bay-Beacon Hill, 77 percent in Central and 62 percent in Allston-Brighton. For other neighborhoods, much of the housing was in buildings with 3-4 units and 5 units or more. These neighborhoods included South Boston, South End, Jamaica Plain, Roxbury and North Dorchester. In East Boston, 3-4-unit structures predominated. Single-family homes were dominant in West Roxbury and Hyde Park. The remaining neighborhoods of Charlestown, South Dorchester, Mattapan and Roslindale, had a mixture of housing types.

Vacancy Rates and Households

The number of households, i.e., occupied housing units, remained stable in the City of Boston with 217,622 in 1980 compared to 217,457 in 1970. Table 116 indicates that net increases in households were highest in South End (34 percent), Allston-Brighton (28 percent) and Central (23 percent). Sizeable increases in the number of households also took place in Back Bay-Beacon Hill (14 percent), West Roxbury (10 percent), and Charlestown (9 percent). On the other hand, the number of households declined by over 15 percent in Mattapan and North Dorchester and by close to 10 percent in South Dorchester, Roxbury, and Jamaica Plain.

These changes in numbers of households were due to two factors, seen in Tables 117, 118, and 119. The first was the change in the number of housing units. The second was the vacancy rates for these housing units. Among those planning districts with substantial increases in households, all had substantial increases in housing units and only Charlestown had a substantial increase in vacancies. Among planning districts with noteworthy losses in households, all except Jamaica Plain had lost units and increased their vacancies from 1970.

neighborhoods gained housing in two-unit structures. South End and Beacon Hi more than doubled their small numbers of this type of housing while Charlestown, East Boston and Central had small increases. This trend was mos likely due to rehabilitation and conversion of older structures. The decline in the number of residences in two-unit structures prevailed in the other neighborhoods, with substantial losses in South Dorchester, Mattapan, Hyde Park, Roslindale, West Roxbury and South Boston.

The pattern of loss of housing units in 3-4 unit structures was also uneven. Boston lost 7 percent of its units in this housing type. Heavy losse occurred in Mattapan, (23 percent) Roxbury, (14 percent) South Dorchester, (11 percent), Jamaica Plain (11 percent) and North Dorchester (10 percent). O the other hand, Back Bay and South End gained housing in 3-4 unit structures. Nonetheless, the overall loss in Boston indicates the decline of a historicall important source of housing in the city.

The gain in housing in buildings with 5 or more units was pervasive throughout the neighborhoods. Only Mattapan and Hyde Park lost rather than gained dwellings in larger structures. Central and Allston-Brighton gained more than 3,500 units in this category, while Roxbury, West Roxbury and Fenway Kenmore gained 1,000 units or more. The number of units in larger structures increased by nearly two-thirds in Central and West Roxbury, by over one-third in East Boston, and by nearly one-quarter in Allston-Brighton, Charlestown and Roslindale.

In 1980, 43 percent of Boston's housing units were in structures with 5 o more units. Some 27 percent were in 3-4 unit buildings, and 15 percent were i single and duplex buildings. Therefore, units in larger buildings were the largest source of housing in the city.

Buildings with 5 or more housing units were the predominant housing source in a number of neighborhoods. They yielded 93 percent of the housing in probably awaiting repairs. Other neighborhoods with long-term vacancies of 5 percent or more included Charlestown, South End, Jamaica Plain and Roxbury.

Tenure

Tables 118 and 119 indicate that owners lived in some 27 percent of Boston's occupied housing units in both 1970 and 1980. Seventy-three percent of households were occupied by renters. The planning districts with the highest proportions of rental households continued to be Fenway-Kenmore, Central, South End, Allston-Brighton, and Back Bay-Beacon Hill. Those with the lowest proportions continued to be West Roxbury, Hyde Park, and Roslindale where the proportion of single-family homes was high.

Nevertheless, this stability belied change in several neighborhoods. The proportion of rental units declined in Central, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, and South End largely due to condominium conversions of units. Likewise the proportion of rental units declined in Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, North Dorchester and Mattapan. While some of this change in Jamaica Plain is due to conversions, most of the increase in the proportion of owner-occupied units in these areas was due to the loss of occupied units. Substantial increases in the proportion of rental units in West Roxbury and Allston-Brighton were attributable to increases in housing units.

Household Size

Household size, i.e., the number of persons living in an occupied housing unit, declined substantially in the 1970s, in Boston and nationwide. In 1980, Boston's mean household size was 2.40 persons, a decline from 2.76 per unit in 1970. While single person households increased substantially, those with three or more persons declined. As Tables 122 and 123 show, the larger the average household size in 1970, the larger the decline for that neighborhood between

In 1970, the vacancy rate for Boston stood at 6.4 percent. The planning districts with the highest vacancy rates were South End (16 percent), Roxbury (12 percent) and Central (10 percent). By 1980, vacancy rates had risen to 10 percent or higher in a majority of Boston's planning districts. These neighborhoods included North Dorchester, Jamaica Plain, Charlestown, Roxbury, South End, Mattapan, East Boston, and South Boston. They all exceeded the city-wide vacancy rate of 9.5 percent.

In 1980, the U.S. Census Bureau provided more detailed information about vacancies than had been available in 1970. Table 117 shows all vacant units and the two components of this measure, vacant units not boarded-up and boarded-up units, for each planning district. Adjustment of the vacancy rate to exclude boarded-up units lowers vacancies to 7.5 percent of Boston's housing stock. The sharpest decreases in vacancy rates occurred in planning districts where there were large blocks of boarded-up public housing units such as North Dorchester, Charlestown, Roxbury and Jamaica Plain. In these planning districts, boarded-up units, comprise 52 percent, 52 percent, 28 percent, and 25 percent, respectively of all vacancies. This loss due to boarded-up units is now being addressed by the Boston Housing Authority, Boston Redevelopment Authority, and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Tables 120 and 121 indicate the number and proportion of long-term and short-term vacancies. In general, in neighborhoods with high vacancy rates, the proportion of long-term vacancies was higher, and was a higher proportion of all vacancies. For instance, in North Dorchester, the vacant-for-rent units comprised 13.1 percent of the year-round housing stock, while those available for rental for two or more months were 12.4 percent of the total. Most of the vacant-for-sale units had been available for 6 months or more. And another 3.8 percent of the stock was in the "other vacant" category, much of it

Rents were stable or declined in other Boston neighborhoods. In areas like Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Allston-Brighton, small declines may have resulted from the removal of rental units for condominium conversion.

Contract Rent

The distribution of contract rents for neighborhoods, shown in Tables 126 and 127, provides more complete information than the medians do. The largest proportions of rental units with contract rents of less than $100 were found in South Boston, Charlestown, East Boston, Roxbury and South End. The proportions ranged from 33 to 22 percent. Close behind were Jamaica Plain and North Dorchester. In addition, another 57 percent of North Dorchester units rented for between $100 and $159.

Areas with high contract rents included Central and Back Bay-Beacon Hill where 27 and 21 percent of units, respectively, rented for $400 or more per month. In addition, about two-thirds of the units in Back Bay-Beacon Hill, West Roxbury and Allston-Brighton commanded a contract rent of $200-$400 per month as did over half of Fenway-Kenmore apartments.

Race and Hispanic Origin of Households

Some 74 percent of Boston households were headed by white persons, and another 20 percent by blacks. Other racial groups occupied the remaining 6 percent of city households. Additionally, Table 128 shows that 5 percent of Boston households were headed by hispanics. Whites predominated in all areas except Roxbury and Mattapan where blacks constituted 80 percent of householders. Blacks also made up 24 percent of the householders in South Dorchester and 18 percent of those in Jamaica Plain. Householders of other racial groups headed 10 percent or more of all households in Central, South End, Jamaica Plain, Roxbury and North Dorchester. In Central and South End, 1970 and 1980. The smallest average household sizes were found in Back Bay-Beacon Hill and Fenway-Kenmore, while the largest were in Mattapan, North and South Dorchester, Roslindale, and Hyde Park.

The median number of persons per occupied unit is even lower, 1.95 perso city-wide in 1980. This is not surprising given that 37 percent of Boston's households contained only one person in 1980, as seen in the section about Household Composition. This is an increase from 29 percent in 1970.

Median Value of Owner-Occupied Non-Condominium Units

Table 124 shows the median value of owner-occupied non-condominium units declined by 5 percent when measured in constant 1980 dollars. The value was $36,089 in 1980 compared to an estimated $38,133 in 1970, adjusted for inflation. North Dorchester, South Dorchester, Mattapan and Hyde Park had larger than average declines in owner-occupied housing values. On the other hand, inflation adjusted housing values leapt upward in South End (74 percent) Fenway-Kenmore (58 percent) and Charlestown (53 percent) where gentrification was taking place. Substantial but less dramatic increases in owner-occupied housing values also occurred in South Boston and Central (20 percent). Smalle increases in real value occurred in other planning districts.

Median Contract Rent

Between 1970 and 1980, median contract rent in Boston was essentially stable, rising by only one-half a percent from $191 to $192. Table 125 shows comparative figures adjusted for inflation to constant 1980 dollars for Boston's planning districts. Large increases in contract rents (about 28 percent) occurred in South End and Central, with smaller increases occurring in Charlestown (12 percent) and Fenway-Kenmore (2 percent).

their own plumbing facilities. The only neighborhood to be largely different is the South End where 20 percent of households lacked separate plumbing facilities, and a large proportion of them were black households. Table 132 shows that of the 9,089 overcrowded (1.01 persons or more per room) housing units in Boston, 3,191, or 35 percent, were occupied by black households and 1,592, or 18 percent, by hispanic households. The largest enclaves of overcrowded housing were found in Roxbury, followed by South Dorchester, Allston-Brighton, South End, Jamaica Plain and Mattapan.

Table 133 indicates the proportion of households that were overcrowded. For Boston as a whole, 4 percent of the total households were overcrowded while nearly 8 percent of black and 16 percent of hispanic households were overcrowded. Black households were nearly twice as likely and hispanic households three-and-a-half times more likely to exist in overcrowded conditions as the average Boston household. Overcrowding was especially severe for hispanic households in North Dorchester (25 percent), Roxbury (21 percent), South End (20 percent), South Dorchester (17 percent) and Mattapan (17 percent). Above average overcrowding existed among black households in North Dorchester (14 percent), Jamaica Plain (10 percent), and South Dorchester (9 percent).

Gross Rent

Gross rent is often used as a comparative measure of rental housing costs. It includes contract rent and heat and utilities, if they are paid separately. Tables 134 and 135 shows the number of households in Boston and the planning districts that pay varying amounts of gross rent. Some 58,000 of the 156,899 total households paid $200-$299 monthly gross rent in 1980. Thirty-seven percent of households fell in this category, while 30 percent paid less than $200 and 32 percent paid more than $300 monthly.

the majority may have been Asians. In South End and the other planning districts noted, a large proportion may have been persons who wrote in "Hispanic" as a racial category. Hispanics headed 15 percent of the household in Jamaica Plain and some 10 percent of the households in Roxbury, South End and North Dorchester.

Characteristics of Housing Units by Race and Hispanic Origin of Household Head

Tenure

Black and hispanic householders tended to rent to a greater extent than did all Boston households. Tables 129 and 130 indicate the number and proportion of renters among total, black and hispanic-headed households by planning district. While 73 percent of the households citywide rented their housing, 79 percent of black, and 86 percent of hispanic households did so. The proportion of black households renting exceeded that of all households in every neighborhood except Hyde Park, where two-thirds of black households owned their homes. This was generally true for hispanic households also, with the excepted neighborhoods being Charlestown, South Boston, Central, Fenway-Kenmore and Hyde Park.

Overcrowding

Tables 131 and 132 indicate the number of occupied housing units with plumbing facilities for exclusive use of the household and the number of these units which are overcrowded. In general, 97 percent or more of households had

Table 112

BOSTON'S TOTAL HOUSING UNITS, 1970 AND 1980

Planning District	1980	1970	Change	
			Number	Percentage
East Boston	14,552	13,709	843	6.2
Charlestown	6,121	5,119	1,002	19.6
South Boston	14,055	14,259	- 204	- 1.4
Central	11,670	9,664	2,006	20.8
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	18,192	15,622	2,570	16.5
South End	13,761	10,719	3,042	28.4
Fenway-Kenmore	12,468	13,243	- 775	- 5.9
Allston-Brighton	29,548	25,324	4,224	16.7
Jamaica Plain	17,103	17,093	10	0.1
Roxbury	23,178	24,958	-1,780	- 7.1
North Dorchester	10,106	10,466	- 360	- 3.4
South Dorchester	21,808	23,261	-1,453	- 6.2
Mattapan	13,064	14,950	-1,886	-12.6
Roslindale	12,372	12,253	119	1.0
West Roxbury	12,274	11,026	1,248	11.3
Hyde Park	11,030	10,735	295	2.7
Planning District Totals	241,302	232,401	8,901	3.8
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	1	47	-46	-97.9
Boston Total*	241,304	232,448	8,856	3.8

* Planning Districts may not sum exactly to City total.

Sources: 1970—Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape;
1980—Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

The median gross rent for Boston rental households was $254, as seen in Table 136. There was a good deal of variability in the median gross rent by planning district, from $184 per month in South Boston to $327 in Back Bay-Beacon Hill. Low median gross rents were also seen in Roxbury ($194), East Boston ($208) and Charlestown ($215). High median gross rents also characterized West Roxbury ($296), Allston-Brighton ($291) and Central ($282). The variability in gross rents reflected the income distributions of the planning districts mentioned earlier.

Tables 137 through 139 permit comparisons among white, black, and hispanic renter households. While the data are subject to some suppression by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, they are usable for comparative purposes. Citywide gross rents of white households tended to be higher than those of black and hispanic households. Median gross rents were $264, $219 and $238 for the respective groups. While somewhat over one-third of householders in each group paid gross rents of $200-$299, a higher proportion of white households (25 percent) were able to pay $300 or more than was true of black (22 percent) or hispanic households (25 percent). Correspondingly lower proportions of white and higher proportions of minority households paid lower gross rents. Nevertheless, the differences between gross rents of white, black and hispanic households were smaller than the differences between neighborhoods. Within each of these tables, there is great disparity with regard to gross rents by neighborhood. For instance, some 42 percent of black households living in Central paid $300 or more in monthly gross rent. However, the corresponding proportions for South End and Roxbury were 11 and 13 percent.

Table 114

YEAR-ROUND HOUSING UNITS BY NUMBER OF UNITS IN STRUCTURE, 1980 BY PLANNING DISTRICT, PERCENT DISTRIBUTION

Planning Districts	Total	1 Unit	2 Units	3-4 Units	5 or More Units	Mobile Home
East Boston	100.0	10.7	18.5	52.0	18.8	0.0
Charlestown	100.0	20.1	17.3	34.2	28.4	0.0
South Boston	100.0	14.8	13.6	42.5	29.1	0.0
Central	100.0	1.3	1.7	19.5	77.4	0.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	2.9	1.8	10.1	85.2	*
South End	100.0	5.2	5.7	31.7	57.2	0.3
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	0.7	0.8	5.6	92.8	0.2
Allston-Brighton	100.0	9.1	16.1	12.9	61.9	*
Jamaica Plain	100.0	12.0	13.2	28.6	46.1	0.1
Roxbury	100.0	11.4	13.4	35.1	40.0	0.1
North Dorchester	100.0	7.7	13.7	49.7	28.9	0.1
South Dorchester	100.0	19.5	24.9	41.7	13.9	0.0
Mattapan	100.0	19.9	23.1	20.5	26.5	0.0
Roslindale	100.0	31.6	28.1	22.9	17.4	0.0
West Roxbury	100.0	58.1	16.1	3.9	20.9	1.0
Hyde Park	100.0	47.6	26.8	11.0	14.6	0.0
Planning District Total	100.0	15.6	14.7	26.7	42.9	0.1
City Total	100.0	15.6	14.7	26.7	42.8	0.1

* Less than 0.1 percent.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3

Table 113

YEAR-ROUND HOUSING UNITS BY NUMBER OF UNITS IN STRUCTURE, 1980 BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning Districts	Total	1 Unit	2 Units	3-4 Units	5 or More Units	Mobile Home
East Boston	14,559	1,563	2,699	7,565	2,732	0
Charlestown	6,115	1,231	1,056	2,090	1,738	0
South Boston	14,048	2,079	1,906	5,975	4,088	0
Central	11,790	149	197	2,301	9,130	13
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	17,810	517	313	1,807	15,166	7
South End	12,521	646	709	3,971	7,158	37
Fenway-Kenmore	12,500	86	95	695	11,597	27
Allston-Brighton	29,551	2,683	4,755	3,819	18,283	11
Jamaica Plain	16,840	2,026	2,215	4,816	7,766	17
Roxbury	24,936	2,839	3,345	8,765	9,972	15
North Dorchester	10,033	769	1,372	4,982	2,898	12
South Dorchester	21,920	4,269	5,457	9,145	3,049	0
Mattapan	13,036	2,593	3,005	3,981	3,457	0
Roslindale	12,409	3,916	3,492	2,838	2,163	0
West Roxbury	12,332	7,164	1,990	479	2,581	118
Hyde Park	10,968	5,220	2,935	1,209	1,604	0
Planning District Total*	241,368	37,750	35,541	64,438	103,382	257
City Total	241,343	37,746	35,535	64,432	103,373	257

* Planning district total does not equal city total because of sampling.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3

Table 116

BOSTON HOUSEHOLDS, 1970-1980, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Planning District	1980 Households	1970 Households	1970-1980 Household Change	1970-1980 Percent Change
East Boston	12,944	12,851	93	0.7
Charlestown	5,252	4,816	436	9.1
South Boston	12,584	13,375	- 791	- 5.9
Central	10,742	8,727	2,015	23.1
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	16,543	14,465	2,078	14.4
South End	12,008	8,970	3,038	33.9
Fenway-Kenmore	11,392	12,288	- 896	- 7.3
Allston-Brighton	31,366	24,544	6,822	27.8
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	14,443	15,898	- 1,455	- 9.2
Roxbury	19,945	22,012	- 2,067	- 9.4
North Dorchester	8,357	9,856	- 1,499	- 15.2
South Dorchester	19,866	22,248	- 2,382	- 10.7
Mattapan	11,578	13,760	- 2,182	- 15.9
Roslindale	11,497	11,999	- 502	- 4.2
West Roxbury	12,053	10,909	1,144	10.5
Hyde Park	10,581	10,485	96	0.9
Planning District Totals	221,151	217,203	3,948	1.8
City Total	218,457	217,622	835	0.4

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, STF1, 1980 and First Count, 1970. Prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Rev. 1/13/84.

Table 115

COUNT OF HOUSING UNITS BY UNITS IN STRUCTURE, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1970

				NUMBER OF UNITS					
Planning District	TOTAL	1(D)	1(A)	2	3-4	5-9	10-19	20+	Other*
East Boston	13,713	845	446	2,658	7,776	935	974	79	0
Charlestown	5,145	285	720	922	1,797	821	531	69	0
South Boston	14,226	761	1,328	2,186	6,045	1,389	1,995	487	35
Central	8,107	30	133	159	2,349	1,935	1,240	2,258	2
Beacon Hill	16,896	141	495	156	1,618	4,291	5,602	4,589	3
South End	10,757	169	536	301	3,402	3,027	1,649	1,668	5
Fenway/Kenmore	14,002	87	159	118	963	1,752	2,850	8,068	6
Allston/Brighton	25,344	1,705	284	4,866	3,782	2,374	5,939	6,394	0
Jamaica Plain/Parker Hill	16,550	1,636	218	2,387	5,385	2,344	1,733	2,855	0
Roxbury	24,986	1,318	1,088	3,407	10,360	3,908	3,969	936	0
Dorchester, North	10,627	694	134	1,421	5,524	820	746	1,288	0
Dorchester, South	23,172	3,717	219	6,011	10,332	1,603	628	656	6
Mattapan	14,848	1,988	129	3,542	5,195	1,750	1,228	1,019	-
Roslindale	12,201	3,685	141	3,853	2,759	659	647	458	0
West Roxbury	10,674	5,939	182	2,271	578	289	620	680	116
Hyde Park	11,115	4,502	318	3,306	1,347	689	640	577	5
Harbor Islands	36	15	0	16	0	0	0	5	0
TOTAL	232,407	27,917	6,530	37,310	69,212	28,586	30,991	32,086	178

* Mobile home or trailer. D = Detached A = Attached

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 1970 Census of Population and Housing - Fourth Count Data, prepared by Urban Data Processing for the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

Table 118

1980 TOTAL HOUSING UNITS FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY OCCUPANCY-VACANCY STATUS

Planning Districts	Total Housing Units	Total Occupied Units	Percent Occupied Units	Total Renter Occupied	Percent Renter Occupied	Total Vacant Units	Percent Vacant
East Boston	14,552	12,955	89.0	9,047	69.8	1,597	11.0
Charlestown	6,121	5,252	85.8	3,567	67.9	869	14.2
South Boston	14,055	12,626	89.8	9,278	73.5	1,429	10.2
Central	11,670	10,791	92.5	9,670	89.6	879	7.5
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	18,192	16,547	91.0	13,577	82.1	1,645	9.0
South End	13,761	12,019	87.3	10,433	86.8	1,742	12.7
Fenway-Kenmore	12,468	11,404	91.5	11,156	97.8	1,064	8.5
Allston-Brighton	29,548	28,127	95.2	23,624	84.0	1,421	4.8
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	17,103	14,465	84.6	10,828	74.9	2,638	15.4
Roxbury	23,178	19,979	86.2	16,231	81.2	3,199	13.8
North Dorchester	10,106	8,367	82.8	6,098	72.9	1,739	17.2
South Dorchester	21,808	19,981	91.6	12,365	61.9	1,827	8.4
Mattapan	13,064	11,546	88.4	7,489	64.9	1,518	11.6
Roslindale	12,372	11,691	94.5	6,269	53.6	681	5.5
West Roxbury	12,274	12,055	98.2	4,688	38.9	219	1.8
Hyde Park	11,030	10,650	96.6	4,435	41.6	380	3.4
Planning District Totals	241,302	218,455	90.5	158,755	72.7	22,847	9.5
Harbor Island & Crews of Vessels	1	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Boston Totals*	241,304	218,457	90.5	158,953	72.8	22,847	9.5

* Planning District Totals may not sum exactly to City Totals.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 117

BOSTON HOUSING UNITS AND VACANCY STATUS, BY PLANNING DISTRICT
1980

Planning District	(1) Total Housing Units	(2) Year-Round Housing Units	(3) Year-Round Units; Not Boarded-Up (2)-(6)	(4) Vacant Housing Units	(5) Vacant Units, Not Boarded-Up (4)-(6)	(6) Boarded-Up Units	(7) Vacancy Rate (4)÷(2)	(8) Adjusted Vacancy Rate (5)÷(3)
East Boston	14,563	14,552	14,264	1,597	1,309	288	11.0	9.2
Charlestown	6,122	6,121	5,667	869	415	454	14.2	7.3
South Boston	14,058	14,055	13,779	1,429	1,153	276	10.3	8.4
Central	11,692	11,670	11,602	879	811	68	7.5	7.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	18,199	18,192	18,125	1,645	1,578	67	9.0	8.7
South End	13,768	13,761	13,419	1,742	1,300	342	12.7	9.7
Fenway-Kenmore	12,469	12,468	12,365	1,064	951	103	8.5	7.7
Allston-Brighton	29,551	29,548	29,364	1,421	1,237	184	4.8	4.2
Jamaica Plain	17,115	17,103	16,462	2,638	1,997	641	15.4	12.1
Roxbury	23,221	23,178	22,263	3,199	2,284	915	13.8	10.3
North Dorchester	10,109	10,106	9,203	1,739	835	903	17.2	9.1
South Dorchester	21,822	21,808	21,514	1,827	1,533	294	8.4	7.1
Mattapan	13,066	13,064	12,724	1,518	1,178	340	11.6	9.3
Roslindale	12,377	12,372	12,234	681	543	138	5.5	4.4
West Roxbury	12,281	12,274	12,273	219	218	1	1.8	1.8
Hyde Park	11,031	11,030	11,014	380	364	16	3.4	3.3
Harbor Islands	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
BOSTON TOTAL	241,444	241,304	236,274	22,847	17,817	5,030	9.5	7.5

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1, Massachusetts.
Prepared by S. Jaster, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 120

DETAILED VACANCY STATUS OF HOUSING UNITS, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Planning Districts	Total Housing Units	Total Vacant Units	Vacant Units: Vacant for Rent: Total	Vacant for Rent: 2+ Months	Vacant for Sale: Total	Vacant for Sale: 6+ Months	Other Vacant **	Boarded-Up
East Boston	14,552	1,597	827	615	21	13	749	288
Charlestown	6,121	869	523	302	18	9	328	454
South Boston	14,055	1,429	897	610	19	10	513	276
Central	11,670	879	478	242	81	41	320	68
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	18,192	1,645	879	358	225	63	541	67
South End	13,761	1,742	1,008	651	69	47	665	342
Fenway-Kenmore	12,468	1,064	626	267	65	15	373	103
Allston-Brighton	29,548	1,421	797	321	90	32	534	184
Jamaica Plain-	17,103	2,638	1,209	888	136	109	1,293	641
Roxbury	23,178	3,199	1,598	1,153	108	74	1,493	915
North Dorchester	10,106	1,739	1,327	1,255	25	18	387	903
South Dorchester	21,808	1,827	1,096	678	78	29	653	294
Mattapan	13,064	1,518	897	565	85	35	536	340
Roslindale	12,372	681	352	267	28	9	301	138
West Roxbury	12,274	219	128	34	18	1	73	1
Hyde Park	11,030	380	186	103	26	8	168	16
Harbor Island & Crews of Vessels	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boston Totals	241,304	22,847	12,828	8,309	1,092	513	8,927	5,030

** Includes held for occasional use and other vacant.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF1.

Table 119

1970 TOTAL HOUSING UNITS FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON BY OCCUPANCY - VACANCY STATUS

	Total Housing Units	Total Occupied Units	% Occupied Units	Total Owner Occ.	% Owner Occ.	Total Renter Occ.	% Renter Occ.	Total Vacant Units
East Boston	13,709	12,843	93.7	3,940	30.7	8,903	69.3	856
Charlestown	5,119	4,815	94.1	1,559	32.4	3,256	67.6	300
South Boston	14,259	13,375	93.8	3,459	25.9	9,916	74.1	873
Central	9,664	8,727	90.3	779	8.9	7,948	91.1	923
Back Bay - Beacon Hill	15,622	14,462	92.6	920	6.4	13,542	93.6	1,152
South End	10,719	8,968	83.7	1,013	11.3	7,955	88.7	1,736
Fenway - Kenmore	13,243	12,288	92.8	260	2.1	12,028	97.9	949
Allston - Brighton	25,324	24,540	96.9	4,732	19.3	19,808	80.7	778
Jamaica Plain - Parker Hill	17,093	15,894	93.0	3,582	22.5	12,312	77.5	1,185
Roxbury	24,958	22,002	88.2	4,606	20.9	17,396	79.1	2,938
Washington Park	6,957	6,481	93.2	1,132	17.5	5,349	82.5	470
Campus High	826	591	71.5	89	15.1	502	84.9	234
Model City	17,175	14,930	86.9	3,385	22.7	11,545	77.3	2,234
Dorchester	48,677	46,145	94.8	15,493	33.6	30,652	66.4	2,504
Dorchester North	10,466	9,854	94.2	2,488	25.2	7,366	74.8	605
Dorchester South	23,261	22,245	95.6	8,493	38.2	13,752	61.8	1,006
Mattapan	14,950	14,046	94.0	4,512	32.1	9,534	67.9	893
Roslindale	12,253	11,990	97.9	5 399	45.0	6,591	55.0	248
West Roxbury	11,026	10,906	98.9	7,316	67.1	3,590	32.9	117
Hyde Park	10,735	10,480	97.6	6,120	58.4	4,360	41.6	250
Planning District Total	232,401	217,435	93.6	59,178	27.2	158,257	72.8	14,809
Harbor Islands	38	38		-		38		-
Crews of Vessels	9	5		5		-		-
City Totals	232,448	217,478	93.6	59,183	27.2	158,295	72.8	14,809

Source: 1970 Census of Population and Housing, First Count Summary Tape; Tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, B.R.A. Research Department.

Table 122

1980 OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY NUMBER OF PERSONS IN UNITS

Planning Districts	Total Occupied Units	One-Person Units	Two-Person Units	Three-Person Units	Four-Person Units	Five-Person Units	Six+-Person Units	Median Persons Per Unit	Mean Persons Per Unit
East Boston	12,955	4,149	3,891	2,051	1,542	765	546	2.09	2.44
Charlestown	5,252	1,889	1,398	721	523	346	375	2.02	2.51
South Boston	12,626	4,996	3,379	1,737	1,083	699	690	1.88	2.33
Central	10,791	5,684	3,041	983	573	268	193	1.44	1.82
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	16,547	10,376	4,801	890	306	102	68	1.29	1.50
South End	12,019	5,792	3,027	1,322	805	494	568	1.57	2.10
Fenway-Kenmore	11,404	6,820	3,394	767	270	93	48	1.34	1.56
Allston-Brighton	28,127	11,324	9,385	3,651	1,920	900	947	1.79	2.12
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	14,465	4,510	4,269	2,357	1,475	904	926	2.13	2.55
Roxbury	19,979	5,799	4,614	3,682	2,495	1,521	1,834	2.41	2.65
North Dorchester	8,367	2,348	2,300	1,316	993	626	774	2.29	2.79
South Dorchester	19,981	5,160	5,412	3,206	2,488	1,641	2,044	2.39	2.89
Mattapan	11,546	2,562	2,968	2,098	1,667	1,063	1,184	2.61	3.03
Roslindale	11,691	2,952	3,687	1,907	1,483	839	815	2.28	2.85
West Roxbury	12,055	3,378	4,204	1,749	1,271	734	714	2.12	2.54
Hyde Park	10,650	2,457	3,183	1,850	1,476	875	740	2.39	2.78
Planning District Totals	218,455	80,196	62,953	30,287	20,370	11,870	12,466	1.95	2.40
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
City Totals*	218,457	80,306	63,041	30,334	20,394	11,893	12,489	1.96	2.40

* Planning District Totals may not sum exactly to City Totals.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts;
prepared by R. S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 121

DETAILED VACANCY STATUS OF HOUSING UNITS, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980, IN PERCENT

Planning Districts	Total Housing Units	Total Vacant Units	Vacant Units					
			Vacant for Rent		Vacant for Sale		Other Vacant**	Boarded-Up
			Total	2+ Months	Total	6+ Months		
East Boston	100.0	11.0	5.7	4.2	0.1	0.1	5.1	2.0
Charlestown	100.0	14.2	8.5	4.9	0.3	0.1	5.4	7.4
South Boston	100.0	10.2	6.4	4.3	0.1	0.1	3.7	2.0
Central	100.0	7.5	4.1	2.1	0.7	0.4	2.7	0.6
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	9.0	4.8	2.0	1.2	0.3	3.0	0.4
South End	100.0	12.7	7.3	4.7	0.5	0.3	4.8	2.5
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	8.5	5.0	2.1	0.5	0.1	3.0	0.8
Allston-Brighton	100.0	4.8	2.7	1.1	0.3	0.1	1.8	0.6
Jamaica Plain	100.0	15.4	7.1	5.2	0.8	0.7	7.6	3.8
Roxbury	100.0	13.8	6.9	5.0	0.5	0.3	6.4	3.9
North Dorchester	100.0	17.2	13.1	12.4	0.2	0.2	3.8	8.9
South Dorchester	100.0	8.4	5.0	3.1	0.4	0.1	3.0	1.3
Mattapan	100.0	11.6	6.9	4.3	0.6	0.3	4.1	2.6
Roslindale	100.0	5.5	2.8	2.2	0.2	0.1	2.4	1.1
West Roxbury	100.0	1.8	1.0	0.3	0.1	*	0.6	*
Hyde Park	100.0	3.4	1.7	0.9	0.2	0.1	1.5	0.1
Planning District Total	100.0	9.5	5.3	3.4	0.4	0.2	3.7	2.1
Boston Totals	100.0	9.5	5.3	3.4	0.4	0.2	3.7	2.1

* Less than 0.1.
** Includes held for occasional use and other vacant.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3.

Table 124

MEDIAN VALUE OF OWNER-OCCUPIED NON-CONDO HOUSING UNITS, BY BOSTON PLANNING DISTRICT: 1980 AND 1970

(In Constant 1980 Dollars)

Planning District	1980 Value	1970 Value	Percent Change
East Boston	$31,099	$28,706	8.3
Charlestown	36,224	23,718	52.7
South Boston	24,077	20,136	19.6
Central	69,565	57,525	20.9
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	140,979	131,662	7.1
South End	65,123	37,325	74.5
Fenway-Kenmore	60,909	38,624	57.7
Allston-Brighton	46,757	41,110	13.7
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	44,638	43,559	2.5
Roxbury	20,606	21,479	- 4.1
North Dorchester	22,598	27,671	-18.3
South Dorchester	29,557	34,341	-13.9
Mattapan	30,385	36,984	-17.8
Roslindale	34,991	38,743	- 9.7
West Roxbury	48,447	45,343	6.8
Hyde Park	34,214	40,014	-14.5
City Total	36,089	38,133	- 5.4

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 123

NUMBER OF 1970 OCCUPIED UNITS BY NUMBER OF PERSONS IN UNIT

Planning Districts	Total Occupied Units	One Person Unit	Two Person Unit	Three Person Unit	Four Person Unit	Five Person Unit	Six Person Unit	Seven Person Unit	Eight People or More
East Boston	12,843	2,589	3,587	2,378	1,955	1,190	624	291	221
Charlestown	4,815	1,261	1,141	769	534	435	307	180	198
South Boston	13,375	4,183	3,497	1,840	1,387	987	623	446	412
Central	8,727	4,075	2,365	991	652	352	158	79	55
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	14,458	8,586	4,160	1,048	461	124	56	19	4
South End	8,968	4,535	1,876	878	597	391	298	198	195
Fenway-Kenmore	12,288	7,110	3,534	941	467	140	53	25	18
Allston-Brighton	24,540	7,685	8,709	3,501	2,180	1,151	621	367	326
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	15,894	4,214	4,728	2,632	1,779	1,026	635	437	443
Washington Park-Model City	22,002	5,160	5,482	3,773	2,903	1,798	1,195	777	914
Washington Park	6,481	1,622	1,623	1,124	867	548	309	196	192
Campus High	591	186	157	82	61	35	27	20	23
Model City	14,930	3,352	3,702	2,567	1,975	1,215	859	561	699
Dorchester	46,142	8,302	12,961	8,036	6,158	4,225	2,755	1,755	1,950
Dorchester 1	9,854	2,055	2,542	1,619	1,273	869	600	435	461
Dorchester 2	22,245	3,955	6,173	3,864	2,971	2,075	1,325	878	1,004
Mattapan	13,043	2,292	4,246	2,553	1,914	1,281	830	442	485
Roslindale	11,990	2,094	3,588	2,120	1,665	1,098	666	400	359
West Roxbury	10,906	1,692	3,562	1,960	1,471	945	604	330	342
Hyde Park	10,480	1,453	3,008	1,988	1,527	1,131	703	341	329
Planning District Totals	217,428	62,939	62,198	32,845	23,736	15,001	9,298	5,645	5,766
Harbor Islands	38	23	4	4	-	4	-	1	2
Crews of Vessels	5	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
City Totals	217,471	62,962	62,202	32,854	23,736	15,005	9,298	5,646	5,768

Source: 1970 Census of Population & Housing, First Count Summary Tape; Tabulation prepared by Mary Tompkins, BRA Research Department.

1980 RENTER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS BY CONTRACT RENT, FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part A

Planning Districts	Total Renter Occupied Units With Cash Rent	Less Than $50	$50-99	$100-119	$120-139	$140-149	$150-159
East Boston	8,896	189	2,389	1,119	1,199	424	673
Charlestown	3,494	89	840	255	254	105	228
South Boston	9,185	230	2,819	1,050	1,067	427	713
Central	9,614	58	1,245	475	481	191	368
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	13,431	30	279	133	209	126	188
South End	10,374	253	2,015	475	633	321	419
Fenway-Kenmore	11,094	62	505	323	345	266	296
Allston-Brighton	23,356	163	1,562	488	634	321	557
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	10,733	205	1,832	708	910	390	813
Roxbury	16,085	342	3,500	1,397	1,790	1,045	1,594
North Dorchester	6,030	82	930	656	964	386	768
South Dorchester	12,189	66	937	811	1,280	743	1,449
Mattapan	7,430	125	898	342	491	306	658
Roslindale	6,149	111	728	279	367	203	429
West Roxbury	4,605	43	297	108	119	40	85
Hyde Park	4,343	46	379	216	232	123	281
Planning District Totals	155,391	2,094	21,155	8,835	10,975	5,417	9,519
City Totals*	155,836	2,101	21,206	8,875	11,034	5,442	9,576

* Planning District Totals may not sum exactly to City totals.

Table 125

MEDIAN CONTRACT RENT BY BOSTON PLANNING DISTRICT:
1980 AND 1970
(In Constant 1980 Dollars)

Planning District	1980	1970	Percent Change
East Boston	$131	$131	0.0
Charlestown	157	140	12.1
South Boston	128	138	- 7.2
Central	246	193	27.5
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	312	318	- 1.9
South End	190	148	28.4
Fenway-Kenmore	235	230	2.2
Allston-Brighton	256	263	- 2.7
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	171	179	- 4.5
Roxbury	151	172	-12.2
North Dorchester	136	162	-16.0
South Dorchester	167	179	- 6.7
Mattapan	177	201	-11.9
Roslindale	188	203	- 7.4
West Roxbury	246	267	- 7.9
Hyde Park	200	209	- 4.3
City Total	192	191	0.5

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R.S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

1980 RENTER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS BY CONTRACT RENT, FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT
(In Percent)

Part A Planning Districts	Total Renter Occupied Units With Cash Rent	Less Than $50	$50-99	$100-119	$120-139	$140-149	$150-159
East Boston	100.0	2.1	26.9	12.6	13.5	4.8	7.6
Charlestown	100.0	2.7	25.5	7.7	7.7	3.2	6.9
South Boston	100.0	2.5	30.7	11.4	11.6	4.7	7.8
Central	100.0	0.6	13.0	4.9	5.0	2.0	3.8
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	100.0	0.2	2.1	1.0	1.6	0.9	1.4
South End	100.0	2.4	19.4	4.6	6.1	3.1	4.0
Fenway-Kenmore	100.0	0.6	4.6	2.9	3.1	2.4	2.7
Allston-Brighton	100.0	0.7	6.7	2.1	2.7	1.4	2.4
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	100.0	1.9	17.1	6.6	8.5	3.6	7.6
Roxbury	100.0	2.1	21.8	8.7	11.1	6.5	9.9
North Dorchester	100.0	1.4	15.4	10.9	26.9	6.4	12.7
South Dorchester	100.0	0.5	7.7	6.7	10.5	6.1	11.9
Mattapan	100.0	1.7	12.1	4.6	6.6	4.1	8.9
Roslindale	100.0	1.8	11.8	4.5	6.0	3.3	7.0
West Roxbury	100.0	0.9	6.5	2.4	2.6	0.9	1.9
Hyde Park	100.0	1.1	8.7	5.0	5.3	2.8	6.5
City Total*	100.0	1.3	13.6	5.7	7.1	3.5	6.1

* Planning District Totals may not sum exactly to 100 percent.

1980 RENTER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS BY CONTRACT RENT, FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT

Part B

Planning Districts	$160-169	$170-199	$200-249	$250-299	$300-399	$400-499	$500+	Median
East Boston	457	812	980	337	154	9	8	131
Charlestown	142	325	540	351	189	85	26	157
South Boston	563	964	780	337	144	16	2	128
Central	237	653	1,163	904	1,232	983	1,580	246
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	268	655	1,851	2,448	3,880	1,758	1,557	312
South End	293	1,050	1,862	1,111	1,130	425	299	190
Fenway-Kenmore	365	1,475	2,707	1,920	1,732	767	295	235
Allston-Brighton	521	1,891	4,825	4,998	4,967	1,614	697	256
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	468	1,157	1,762	1,126	829	268	142	171
Roxbury	1,102	2,291	1,828	710	259	29	11	151
North Dorchester	435	906	575	234	64	4	5	136
South Dorchester	1,071	2,523	2,005	861	261	22	12	167
Mattapan	593	1,376	1,308	923	321	8	5	177
Roslindale	327	1,012	1,488	784	289	17	3	188
West Roxbury	78	276	1,196	930	978	111	42	246
Hyde Park	213	563	1,051	733	273	11	1	200
Planning District Totals	7,133	17,929	25,921	18,707	16,702	6,127	4,685	192
City Totals*	7,160	18,002	26,069	18,769	16,752	6,148	4,702	191

* Planning District Totals may not sum exactly to City totals.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R. S. O'Hara, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 128

1980 OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN OF HOUSEHOLDER

Planning Districts	Total Occupied Housing Units	White Householders	Percent White Householders	Black Householders	Percent Black Householders	Other Householders	Percent Other Householders	Hispanic Householders	Percent Hispanic Householders
East Boston	12,955	12,759	98.5	33	0.3	163	1.3	310	2.4
Charlestown	5,252	5,172	98.5	7	0.1	73	1.4	43	0.8
South Boston	12,626	12,514	99.1	6	0.0	106	0.8	58	0.5
Central	10,791	9,289	86.1	199	1.8	1,303	12.1	157	1.5
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	16,547	15,443	93.3	649	3.9	455	2.7	415	2.5
South End	12,019	5,199	43.3	5,075	42.2	1,745	14.5	1,134	9.4
Fenway-Kenmore	11,404	9,083	79.6	1,377	12.1	944	8.3	560	4.9
Allston-Brighton	28,127	25,511	90.7	1,049	3.7	1,567	5.6	997	3.5
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	14,465	10,001	69.1	2,542	17.6	1,872	12.9	2,164	15.0
Roxbury	19,979	2,004	10.0	16,009	80.1	1,966	9.8	2,165	10.8
North Dorchester	8,367	6,308	75.4	1,218	14.6	841	10.1	769	9.2
South Dorchester	19,981	14,223	71.2	4,836	24.2	922	4.6	920	4.6
Mattapan	11,546	1,950	16.9	9,228	79.9	368	3.2	476	4.1
Roslindale	11,691	10,987	94.0	392	3.4	312	2.7	333	2.8
West Roxbury	12,055	11,818	98.0	82	0.7	155	1.3	127	1.1
Hyde Park	10,650	9,391	88.2	1,116	10.5	143	1.3	141	1.3
Planning District Totals	218,455	161,652	74.0	43,818	20.1	12,935	5.9	10,769	4.9
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	1	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
City Totals*	218,457	161,654	74.0	43,868	20.1	12,935	5.9	10,778	4.9

* Planning District Totals may not sum exactly to City Totals.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R. S. O'Hara, Jr., Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

1980 RENTER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS BY CONTRACT RENT, FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON, BY PLANNING DISTRICT
(In Percent)

Part B

Planning Districts	$160-169	$170-199	$200-249	$250-299	$300-399	$400-499	$500+
East Boston	5.1	9.1	11.0	3.8	1.7	0.1	0.1
Charlestown	4.3	9.9	16.4	10.6	5.7	0.8	4.8
South Boston	6.1	10.5	8.5	3.7	1.6	0.2	0.0
Central	2.5	6.8	12.1	9.4	12.8	10.2	16.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2.0	6.8	13.8	25.5	28.9	18.3	2.3
South End	2.8	10.1	18.0	10.7	10.9	4.1	2.9
Fenway-Kenmore	3.3	13.3	24.4	17.3	15.6	6.9	2.1
Allston-Brighton	2.2	8.1	20.7	21.4	21.3	6.9	3.0
Jamaica Plain-Parker Hill	4.4	10.8	16.4	10.5	7.7	2.5	1.3
Roxbury	6.9	14.2	11.4	4.4	1.6	0.2	0.1
North Dorchester	7.2	15.0	9.5	3.9	1.1	0.1	0.1
South Dorchester	8.8	20.8	16.5	7.1	2.2	0.2	0.1
Mattapan	8.0	18.5	17.6	12.4	4.3	0.1	0.1
Roslindale	5.3	16.5	24.2	12.8	4.7	0.3	0.1
West Roxbury	1.7	6.0	26.0	20.2	21.2	2.4	0.9
Hyde Park	4.9	13.0	24.2	16.9	6.3	0.3	0.0
City Totals*	4.6	11.5	16.7	12.0	10.7	3.9	3.0

* Planning District Totals may not sum exactly to 100 Percent.

Source: 1980 Census of Population and Housing: Summary Tape File 1A-Massachusetts; prepared by R. S. O'Hara, Boston Redevelopment Authority Research Department.

Table 130

Proportion Renter-Occupied of all Occupied Housing Units for Total, Black and Hispanic Householders, 1980

Planning Districts	Total	Black	Hispanic
East Boston	69.9	100.0	87.1
Charlestown	66.4	-	62.5
South Boston	73.7	-	22.5
Central	89.8	96.6	84.8
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	82.3	88.8	92.2
South End	85.4	92.6	96.3
Fenway-Kenmore	97.6	93.6	95.1
Allston-Brighton	83.9	94.3	94.5
Jamaica Plain	74.9	93.2	86.9
Roxbury	82.2	82.4	88.2
North Dorchester	72.9	86.0	88.9
South Dorchester	61.8	68.2	75.2
Mattapan	65.7	67.4	76.0
Roslindale	54.3	85.1	68.5
West Roxbury	38.5	47.6	55.2
Hyde Park	41.6	32.4	13.3
Planning District Total	70.1	78.6	84.8
City Total	72.8	79.4	86.4

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Population and Housing, STF3.

Table 129

Renter-Occupied Housing Units for Total, Black and Hispanic Householders, 1980

Planning Districts	Total Renter-Occupied Units	Black	Hispanic
East Boston	9,054	15	256
Charlestown	3,567	*	40
South Boston	9,293	*	9
Central	9,763	199	123
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	13,313	546	369
South End	9,344	3,404	969
Fenway-Kenmore	11,202	1,321	484
Allston-Brighton	23,624	983	938
Jamaica Plain	10,650	2,423	1,912
Roxbury	17,720	14,265	2,010
North Dorchester	6,042	1,061	588
South Dorchester	12,415	3,289	738
Mattapan	7,562	6,274	400
Roslindale	6,362	338	213
West Roxbury	4,663	28	69
Hyde Park	4,415	355	17
Planning District Total	153,190	34,501	9,135
City Total	153,190	34,501	9,135

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3.

Note: Numbers in this table are subject to suppression. Total includes White, Black, Asian, American Indian and Other categories. Hispanic is a separate non-racial category.

Table 132

Number of Occupied Housing Units with Complete Plumbing for Exclusive Use with 1.01 Persons per Room or More, for Total, Black and Hispanic Householders, 1980

Planning Districts	Total	Black	Hispanic
East Boston*	279	*	12
Charlestown*	153	*	9
South Boston*	310	*	*
Central*	485	6	17
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	247	13	34
South End	796	243	186
Fenway-Kenmore	407	70	56
Allston-Brighton	809	63	67
Jamaica Plain	746	264	331
Roxbury	1,729	1,228	450
North Dorchester	539	169	156
South Dorchester	967	399	149
Mattapan	722	575	17
Roslindale	347	10	23
West Roxbury	239	*	9
Hyde Park*	314	83	*
Planning District Total	9,089	3,123	1,516
City Total	9,089	3,191	1,592

*Numbers subject to suppression by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3.

Table 131

Number of Occupied Housing Units with Complete Plumbing for Exclusive Use, for Total, Black and Hispanic Householders, 1980

Planning Districts	Total	Black	Hispanic
East Boston*	12,562	15	*
Charlestown*	5,136	*	47
South Boston*	12,394	*	21
Central*	10,143	199	130
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	15,663	528	347
South End	10,202	3,428	945
Fenway-Kenmore	11,297	1,297	478
Allston-Brighton	27,782	979	944
Jamaica Plain	13,933	2,530	2,115
Roxbury	20,809	16,542	2,192
North Dorchester	8,029	1,189	627
South Dorchester*	19,877	4,671	877
Mattapan	11,240	9,098	475
Roslindale	11,573	344	409
West Roxbury*	12,052	39	125
Hyde Park*	10,489	994	59
Planning District Total	213,181	41,853	9,791
City Total	213,156	42,523	10,217

*Numbers subject to suppression by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3.

Table 134

Gross Rent of Specified Renter-Occupied Housing Units, 1980

Planning Districts	Less Than $100	$100-149	$150-199	$200-249	$250-299	$300-349	$350-399	$400-499	$500 or More	No Cash Rent
East Boston	1,046	1,094	1,989	2,191	1,341	678	329	89	23	156
Charlestown	732	316	518	653	535	355	137	113	81	86
South Boston	2,169	1,211	1,847	1,809	1,151	584	228	136	30	88
Central	680	798	1,226	1,355	1,268	893	634	1,028	1,830	51
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	290	370	1,021	1,535	2,206	2,250	1,599	2,238	1,642	153
South End	1,611	986	1,368	1,710	1,231	733	571	623	461	50
Fenway-Kenmore	489	634	1,556	2,838	2,238	1,267	794	928	399	59
Allston-Brighton	1,488	819	1,732	3,859	4,799	3,903	2,691	2,817	1,190	312
Jamaica Plain	1,530	900	1,377	1,911	1,719	1,375	820	555	308	132
Roxbury	3,448	2,417	3,337	3,498	2,441	1,157	722	324	44	181
North Dorchester	558	630	1,113	1,347	1,261	815	155	81	12	66
South Dorchester	517	603	1,157	2,864	3,204	2,127	1,198	421	115	195
Mattapan	777	358	679	1,152	1,732	1,379	865	497	24	70
Roslindale	691	273	581	958	1,520	1,184	629	288	55	122
West Roxbury	273	155	170	693	1,001	943	594	388	105	113
Hyde Park	244	123	467	829	1,134	953	374	94	36	123
Planning District Total	16,543	11,687	20,138	29,202	28,781	20,596	12,340	10,620	6,355	1,957
City Total	16,543	11, 687	20,138	29,202	28,781	20,596	12,340	10,620	6,355	1,957

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3.

Table 133

Proportion of Occupied Housing Units with Complete Plumbing Facilities for Exclusive Use, with 1.01 Persons Per Room or More, for Total, Black and Hispanic Householders, 1980

Planning Districts	Total	Black	Hispanic
East Boston*	2.2	*	*
Charlestown*	3.0	*	19.1*
South Boston*	2.5	*	*
Central*	4.8	3.0	13.1*
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	1.6	2.5	9.8
South End	7.8	7.1	19.7
Fenway-Kenmore	3.6	5.4	11.7
Allston-Brighton	2.9	6.4	7.1
Jamaica Plain	5.4	10.4	15.6
Roxbury	8.3	7.4	20.5
North Dorchester	6.7	14.2	24.9
South Dorchester*	4.9	8.5	17.0
Mattapan	6.4	6.3	16.6
Roslindale	3.0	2.9	5.6
West Roxbury*	2.0	*	7.2
Hyde Park*	3.0	8.3	*
Planning District Total	4.3	7.4	15.5
City Total	4.3	7.5	15.6

*Note: Proportions subject to suppression by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3.

Table 136

MEDIAN GROSS RENT OF SPECIFIED RENTER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS, 1980

Planning Districts	Median Gross Rent
East Boston	$ 208
Charlestown	215
South Boston*	184
Central	282
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	327
South End	221
Fenway-Kenmore	252
Allston-Brighton	291
Jamaica Plain	239
Roxbury	194
North Dorchester	227
South Dorchester	267
Mattapan	273
Roslindale	271
West Roxbury	296
Hyde Park	273
Planning District Total	$ 254
City Total	$ 254

* Subject to suppression by U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, Neighborhood Statistics Program.

Table 135

Gross Rent of Specified Renter-Occupied Housing Units, In Percent

Planning Districts	Less Than $100	$100-149	$150-199	$200-249	$250-299	$300-349	$350-399	$400-499	$500 or More	No Cash Rent
East Boston	11.7	12.2	22.3	24.5	15.0	7.6	3.7	1.0	0.3	1.7
Charlestown	20.8	9.0	14.7	18.5	15.2	10.1	3.9	3.2	2.3	2.4
South Boston	23.4	13.1	20.0	19.6	12.4	6.3	2.5	1.5	0.3	1.0
Central	7.0	8.2	12.6	13.9	13.0	9.2	6.5	10.5	18.7	0.5
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	2.2	2.8	7.7	11.5	16.6	16.9	12.0	16.8	12.3	1.2
South End	17.2	10.6	14.6	18.3	13.2	7.8	6.1	6.7	4.9	0.5
Fenway-Kenmore	4.4	5.7	13.9	25.3	20.0	11.3	7.1	8.3	3.6	0.5
Allston-Brighton	6.3	3.5	7.3	16.3	20.3	16.5	11.4	11.9	5.0	1.3
Jamaica Plain	14.4	8.5	13.0	18.0	16.2	12.9	7.7	5.2	2.9	1.2
Roxbury	19.6	13.8	19.0	19.9	13.9	6.6	4.1	1.8	0.2	1.0
North Dorchester	9.2	10.4	18.4	22.3	20.9	13.5	2.6	1.3	0.2	1.1
South Dorchester	4.2	4.9	9.3	23.1	25.8	17.2	9.7	3.4	0.9	1.6
Mattapan	10.3	4.8	9.0	15.3	23.0	18.3	11.5	6.6	0.3	0.9
Roslindale	11.0	4.3	9.2	15.2	24.1	18.8	10.0	4.6	0.9	1.9
West Roxbury	6.2	3.5	3.8	15.6	22.6	21.3	13.4	8.8	2.4	2.6
Hyde Park	5.6	2.8	10.7	18.9	25.9	21.8	8.5	2.2	0.8	2.8
Planning District Total	9.8	7.5	12.9	18.7	18.4	13.2	7.9	6.8	4.1	1.2
City Total	9.8	7.5	12.9	18.7	18.4	13.2	7.9	6.8	4.1	1.2

Source: U. S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3.

Table 138

Gross Rent of Specified Renter-Occupied Housing Units
for Black Householders, 1980, in Percent

Planning Districts	Total #	Less Than $100	$100-199	$200-299	$300 or More	No Cash Rent
East Boston	15	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Charlestown	20	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South Boston	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Central*	151	21.8	14.6	21.8	41.7	0.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	604	12.2	27.0	33.6	27.2	0.0
South End	4,749	26.0	31.5	31.4	10.8	0.3
Fenway-Kenmore	1,330	8.6	21.4	42.0	27.3	0.8
Allston-Brighton	1,012	15.6	10.0	38.5	35.9	0.0
Jamacia Plain	2,490	38.4	21.2	20.8	18.8	0.8
Roxbury	12,978	19.1	34.0	33.6	12.6	0.7
North Dorchester	1,085	20.6	39.0	26.4	14.0	0.0
South Dorchester*	3,323	4.9	13.8	43.6	36.6	1.0
Mattapan	6,195	10.4	12.2	38.0	38.6	0.8
Roslindale	366	50.5	17.5	19.1	12.8	0.0
West Roxbury	36	44.4	0.0	25.0	30.6	0.0
Hyde Park*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Planning District Total	34,354	18.4	25.4	34.1	21.5	0.6
City Total	34,818	18.2	25.2	34.1	21.8	0.7

* Subject to suppression.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, STF3.

Table 137

Gross Rent of Specified Renter-Occupied Housing Units for White Householders, 1980, in Percent

Planning Districts	Total #	Less Than $100	$100-199	$200-299	$300 or More	No Cash Rent
East Boston	8,802	11.4	34.7	39.6	12.5	1.8
Charlestown	3,422	20.5	24.2	33.1	19.9	2.2
South Boston*	6,834	31.2	35.1	25.1	7.7	1.0
Central	8,321	4.9	21.6	24.6	48.4	0.4
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	12,757	1.5	9.6	27.9	59.8	1.1
South End	4,165	12.4	21.5	25.3	39.7	1.2
Fenway-Kenmore	8,971	4.1	19.5	45.0	30.8	0.5
Allston-Brighton	21,637	6.1	11.1	36.3	45.2	1.4
Jamacia Plain	6,817	4.9	21.2	39.0	33.5	1.4
Roxbury	1,308	19.2	28.4	35.4	12.2	4.8
North Dorchester	4,363	6.1	26.5	46.9	19.0	1.4
South Dorchester	8,445	4.1	14.5	51.0	28.8	1.6
Mattapan	1,013	9.7	14.9	44.4	28.8	2.2
Roslindale	5,785	8.2	13.4	40.8	35.5	2.1
West Roxbury	4,371	5.6	7.4	38.5	45.7	2.7
Hyde Park*	3,152	7.2	15.6	45.5	28.8	2.8
Planning District Total	110,163	8.1	18.4	36.6	35.5	1.4
City Total	113,309	7.9	18.5	37.0	35.2	1.4

* Subject to suppression.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Neighborhood Statistics Program.

Table 139

Gross Rent of Specified Renter-Occupied Housing Units for Hispanic Householders, 1980, in Percent

Planning Districts	Total #	Less Than $100	$100-199	$200-299	$300 or More	No Cash Rent
East Boston	257	17.1	27.2	45.1	10.5	0.0
Charlestown	48	35.4	18.8	35.4	10.4	0.0
South Boston*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Central	131	0.0	29.8	22.9	47.3	0.0
Back Bay-Beacon Hill	377	0.0	12.7	44.3	43.0	0.0
South End	1,088	33.6	36.6	21.2	8.5	0.0
Fenway-Kenmore	485	2.7	27.0	55.3	15.1	0.0
Allston-Brighton	938	9.0	7.2	40.8	43.0	0.0
Jamacia Plain	1,944	18.2	20.8	33.2	27.0	0.8
Roxbury	1,868	10.9	25.8	43.3	19.6	0.3
North Dorchester	633	9.2	24.2	48.8	17.2	0.6
South Dorchester*	749	0.5	13.9	53.8	29.1	2.7
Mattapan	405	10.6	24.4	39.5	25.4	0.0
Roslindale*	202	21.8	6.9	19.3	48.5	3.5
West Roxbury	69	5.8	0.0	0.0	94.2	0.0
Hyde Park*	43	0.0	0.0	34.9	32.6	32.6
Planning District Total	9,237	13.3	21.9	38.9	25.1	0.7
City Total	9,303	13.4	21.7	38.8	25.3	0.8

* Subject to suppression.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Neighborhood Statistics Program.

VI. Residential Mobility

Five-Year Residential Mobility

U.S. Census statistics provided information about residential mobility fo Boston in 1980 and 1970. One set of data provided information about where persons 5 years or older at the time of the census lived five years earlier fo those who reported previous residence (Table 140). The categories of residenc five years earlier were same house, different house in Suffolk County, within Massachusetts but outside Suffolk County, rest of the United States, and abroad.

These data indicated that a higher proportion of those living in Boston i 1980 had lived outside Suffolk County five years earlier than was true in 1970. While there was no change between 1970 and 1980 in the proportion living in th same dwelling five years earlier (53 percent), 24 percent had lived elsewhere in Suffolk County and 23 percent had lived outside of Suffolk County in 1975. The comparable proportions ten years earlier had been 28 percent in Suffolk County and 18 percent outside of Suffolk County. Of the last, 6 percent had lived in Massachusetts, 9 percent in the rest of the U.S., and 3 percent abroad. By 1980, 8 percent had lived elsewhere in Massachusetts, 11 percent elsewhere in the U.S., and 4 percent abroad, as seen in Table 141.

When attention was focused on planning districts in 1980, very different patterns of residence five years earlier emerged. The planning districts with the least mobile populations were East Boston, Charlestown, and South Boston and the suburban areas of Roslindale, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park. In these areas, two-thirds of residents had lived in the same dwelling five years earlier, 20-25 percent had lived elsewhere in Boston, and small percentages had moved there from outside of Boston, with a notable 8 percent of Charlestown and West Roxbury residents moving in from the suburbs. In the middle were two groupings of neighborhoods with increasing proportions from other homes in Boston and from abroad. These included Roxbury and South Dorchester, followed by Mattapan and North Dorchester. Jamaica Plain resembled the latter but had a higher proportion of residents from Massachusetts (7 percent) and other states (10 percent). These trends, indicating the attractiveness of neighborhoods to people who were not Boston residents five years earlier, were increasingly important in the neighborhoods with more mobile residents.

Planning districts with more mobile populations in 1980, ranked from less to more mobile, included South End, Central, Allston-Brighton, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, and Fenway-Kenmore. In Fenway-Kenmore, with its large student population, only 20 percent of residents had lived in the same home in 1975, with an additional 11 percent moving in from within Boston. Of the 69 percent who had lived outside of Boston in 1975, 17 percent were from Massachusetts, 42 percent hailed from elsewhere in the U.S., and 10 percent were from abroad. Back Bay-Beacon Hill also had large proportions of residents from outside of Boston. The degree of mobility shown in these planning districts was remarkable in a state where 61 percent of those 5 years and older lived in the same house that they had occupied five years earlier and only 9 percent had come from outside Massachusetts or abroad.

Year Householder Moved Into Dwelling

Boston's high mobility compared to that of Massachusetts residents is underscored by a comparison of the householder's length of residence in his/her current dwelling, seen in Table 142. Over one-quarter of Boston householders moved into their dwellings in the year and a quarter preceding the census, and over one-half in the five years preceding. For Massachusetts, the comparable proportions were 8 percent and 28 percent. This disparity was due to the large renter population, 73 percent of households, in Boston.

Within Boston neighborhoods, there was a close relationship between the proportion of units rented and the proportion of householders who moved in during the year before the census. Fenway-Kenmore ranked highest on both measures with over 50 percent of householders moving in recently. The young adult areas of Back Bay-Beacon Hill, Allston-Brighton, South End and Central had 30 percent or more new arrivals. Roslindale, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park contained the lowest proportion of recently moved households. Clearly, tenur and the age structure of the population were related to mobility.

Table 140

PERSONS, 5 YEARS AND OVER, BY RESIDENCE IN 1975, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980

Planning District	Total	Same House	Different House, Suffolk Co.	Rest of Massachusetts	Different State				Abroad
					Northeast	North Central	South	West	
East Boston	30,598	20,838	7,592	1,277	216	33	178	49	415
Charlestown	12,684	8,509	2,476	1,055	180	63	200	88	113
South Boston	28,696	19,359	7,750	1,015	182	155	52	39	144
Central	21,031	9,571	4,214	3,284	1,345	299	492	484	1,342
Back Bay/ Beacon Hill	30,305	7,770	5,250	5,717	5,716	1,513	1,567	1,013	1,759
South End	25,625	11,445	7,634	2,045	1,536	383	891	158	1,533
Fenway/Kenmore	30,235	6,000	3,459	5,183	9,054	1,443	1,497	686	2,910
Allston/Brighton	63,380	23,667	9,350	9,898	11,272	1,773	1,970	1,113	4,337
Jamaica Plain	37,044	19,114	10,026	2,613	2,613	334	552	381	1,411
Roxbury	52,376	32,256	15,090	531	1,116	212	606	115	2,450
North Dorchester	22,063	11,872	6,849	942	553	65	198	77	1,507
South Dorchester	55,264	33,914	15,039	2,513	1,073	276	711	239	1,499
Mattapan	32,730	17,877	11,585	477	650	115	669	151	1,206
Roslindale	30,444	20,199	6,266	1,936	467	98	370	160	948
West Roxbury	30,045	20,155	5,910	2,518	516	157	214	163	412
Hyde Park	28,303	18,757	6,966	1,237	515	53	133	170	472
Planning District Totals	530,772	281,279	125,433	42,253	36,988	6,984	10,300	5,086	22,449
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	510	299	90	68	29	0	6	0	18
City Totals*	532,569	281,624	125,558	42,436	37,401	7,159	10,658	5,190	22,543

* Planning Districts may not sum to City Total.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, Mass.

R/5/21/84

Table 141

PERSONS, 5 YEARS AND OLDER, BY RESIDENCE IN 1975, BY PLANNING DISTRICT, 1980 (Percent)

Planning District	Total	Same House	Different House, Suffolk Co.	Rest of Massa-chusetts	Different State				Abroad
					Northeast	North Central	South	West	
East Boston	100.0	68.1	24.8	4.2	0.7	0.1	0.6	0.2	1.4
Charlestown	100.0	67.1	19.5	8.3	1.4	0.5	1.6	0.7	0.9
South Boston	100.0	67.5	27.0	3.5	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.5
Central	100.0	45.5	20.0	15.6	6.4	0.9	2.3	2.3	6.4
Back Bay/Beacon Hill	100.0	25.6	17.3	18.9	18.9	5.0	5.2	3.3	5.8
South End	100.0	44.7	29.8	8.0	6.0	1.5	3.5	0.6	6.0
Fenway/Kenmore	100.0	19.8	11.4	17.1	29.9	4.8	5.0	2.3	9.6
Allston/Brighton	100.0	37.3	14.8	15.6	17.8	2.8	3.1	1.8	6.8
Jamaica Plain/ Parker Hill	100.0	51.6	27.1	7.1	7.1	0.9	1.5	1.0	3.8
Roxbury	100.0	61.6	28.8	1.0	2.1	0.4	1.2	0.2	4.7
North Dorchester	100.0	53.8	31.0	4.3	2.5	0.3	0.9	0.3	6.8
South Dorchester	100.0	61.4	27.2	4.5	1.9	0.5	1.3	0.4	2.7
Mattapan	100.0	54.6	35.4	1.5	2.0	0.4	2.0	0.5	3.7
Roslindale	100.0	66.3	20.6	6.4	1.5	0.3	1.2	0.5	3.1
West Roxbury	100.0	67.1	19.7	8.4	1.7	0.5	0.7	0.5	1.4
Hyde Park	100.0	66.3	24.6	4.4	1.8	0.2	0.5	0.6	1.7
Planning District Totals	100.0	53.0	23.6	8.0	7.0	1.3	1.9	1.0	4.2
Harbor Islands & Crews of Vessels	100.0	58.6	17.6	13.3	5.7	0.0	1.2	0.0	3.5
City Totals	100.0	52.9	23.6	8.0	7.0	1.3	2.0	1.0	4.2

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, Neighborhood Statistics, Boston, Mass.

Table 142

YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO DWELLING UNIT, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

	Total	1979-March 1980	1975-1978	1970-1974	1960-1969	1950-1959	1949 or Earlier	Total	1979-March 1980	1975-1978	1970-1974	1960-1969	1950-1959	1949 or Earlier
				(Number)							(Percent)			
East Boston	12,955	2,201	3,093	1,895	2,176	1,258	2,332	100.0	17.0	23.9	14.6	16.8	9.7	18.0
Charlestown	5,252	947	1,536	904	717	430	718	100.0	18.0	29.2	17.2	13.7	8.2	13.7
South Boston	12,616	2,035	3,477	2,157	1,962	1,199	1,786	100.0	16.1	27.6	17.1	15.6	9.5	14.2
Central	10,874	3,263	4,090	1,387	993	375	766	100.0	30.0	37.6	12.8	9.1	3.4	7.0
Back Bay/ Beacon Hill	16,180	6,855	5,590	1,780	1,303	308	344	100.0	42.4	34.5	11.0	8.1	1.9	2.1
South End	10,935	3,404	3,928	1,772	1,034	451	346	100.0	31.1	35.9	16.2	9.5	4.1	3.2
Fenway/Kenmore	11,474	5,841	3,299	1,082	773	262	217	100.0	50.9	28.8	9.4	6.7	2.3	1.9
Allston/ Brighton	28,127	10,451	8,297	3,037	2,866	1,549	1,927	100.0	37.2	29.5	10.8	10.2	5.5	6.9
Jamaica Plain/ Parker Hill	14,214	3,574	4,350	1,945	2,299	1,087	959	100.0	25.1	30.6	13.7	16.2	7.6	6.7
Roxbury	21,540	4,245	6,314	4,683	4,016	1,271	1,011	100.0	19.7	29.3	21.7	18.6	5.9	4.7
No. Dorchester	8,285	2,141	2,011	1,286	1,314	610	923	100.0	25.8	24.3	15.5	15.9	7.4	11.1
So. Dorchester	20,095	4,002	5,602	3,741	3,340	1,561	1,849	100.0	19.9	27.9	18.6	16.6	7.8	9.2
Roslindale	11,712	2,009	3,179	1,636	2,219	1,229	1,440	100.0	17.2	27.1	14.0	18.9	10.5	12.3
West Roxbury	12,113	1,606	3,074	1,779	2,605	1,780	1,269	100.0	13.3	25.4	14.7	21.5	14.7	10.5
Hyde Park	10,601	1,649	2,695	1,505	1,990	1,366	1,396	100.0	15.6	25.4	14.2	18.8	12.9	13.2
Mattapan	11,509	2,456	3,830	2,802	1,675	379	367	100.0	21.3	33.3	24.3	14.6	3.3	3.2
Boston	218,457	56,665	64,359	33,386	31,282	15,115	17,650	100.0	25.9	29.5	15.3	14.3	6.9	8.1

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Population and Housing, 1980, STF3.

VII. Prologue to the 1980s

Closing

The diversity and change that occurred among Boston's neighborhoods go hand-in-hand with nondemographic changes during the 1970s. Bussing had a negative impact in 1973-1974 and ensuing years. The mid-decade recession brought high unemployment, which peaked in 1975 and declined since then. The burden of overtaxation dampened growth in housing values. Economic developmen within the city brought growth in the number of high-level jobs. New public facilities were constructed to serve the neighborhoods. From 1970 to 1980 Boston lost 78,077 people, 12 percent of its 1970 population, including one-fourth of its white population, and 57,798 in the "14 and under" age group.

Yet the seeds of change, and population trend reversal, were already evident. Even while population in the City as a whole was declining between 1970 and 1980, the more centrally located neighborhoods, such as Waterfront-North End-Central Business District, Back Bay-Beacon Hill, South End and Allston-Brighton, were gaining. There was also a net growth of 32,040 in the young adult age group (aged 20 to 34). The minority population--black, hispanic, and Asian and Pacific Islander--also grew during the seventies and is expected to continue to grow.

These increases reflected both economic and demographic phenomena signalling a change in Boston's fortune. The expansion of jobs in Boston from mid-decade onward (in the 1970s) flowed from the structural transformation of the City's economy favoring those industries expanding most rapidly nationally. The influx of young adults responded to the coming-of-household-formation-age of the baby-boom youngsters and their frequent preference for city living and the amenities and improved ambience of Boston.

In addition, the factors impelling the reduction in white population and children were moving out of the picture. The long-term loss of blue collar jobs in the 1960s and 1970s had spurred the outflow of blue collar workers and their families. By the latter years of the 1970s, however, this long-extended phase had ended and blue collar jobs had stabilized (at a fraction of their former level). In a counter flow, young adult white workers were attracted into Boston. In post-1980 reports, the United States Census Bureau reported net inmigration into Boston for the first time in fifty years.

Furthermore, much of the loss of children had resulted from the steady decline in the birth rate in Boston in the past two decades, reflecting national trends in birth rates, as well as the suburbanization of recent decades. But Boston's birth rate has been rising since 1977, largely due to the baby-boom households and to the growing minority population.

As Boston enters the 1980s, the changes of the 1970s provide a prelude to the future. The factors to bring about a reversal of population loss have been evident already. In addition, the city now has gained an improved infrastructure; a fairer tax structure resulting from revaluation and classification; growth in economic opportunity which will more directly benefit Boston residents through the efforts of the Boston School Department, the Private Industry Council and others, the presence of large numbers of minorities and students in institutions of higher education, and a transformed occupational structure. These factors provide a new context within which the changes of the 1980s are taking place.

POVERTY STATUS IN 1979

Definitions

The data on poverty status were derived from answers to the same questions as the income data (see the section on "Income in 1979").

Poverty statistics presented in this report are based on a definition originated by the Social Security Administration in 1964 and subsequently modified by Federal interagency committees in 1969 and 1980. At the core of this definition is the 1961 economy food plan, the least costly of four nutritionally adequate food plans designed by the Department of Agriculture. It was determined from the Agriculture Department's 1955 survey of food consumption that families of three or more persons spend approximately one-third of their income on food; hence the poverty level for these families was set at three times the cost of the economy food plan. For smaller families and persons living alone, the cost of the economy food plan was multiplied by factors that were slightly higher in order to compensate for the relatively larger fixed expenses for these smaller households.

The income cutoffs used by the Bureau of the Census to determine the poverty status of families and unrelated individuals consist of a set of 48 thresholds arranged in a two-dimensional matrix consisting of family size (from one person to nine or more persons) cross-classified by presence and number of family members under 18 years old (from no children present to eight or more children present). Unrelated individuals and two-person families are further differentiated by age of the householder (under 65 years old and 65 years old and over). The total income of each family or unrelated individual in the sample is tested against the appropriate poverty threshold to determine the poverty status of that family or unrelated individual. If the total income is less than the corresponding cutoff, the family or unrelated individual is classified as below the poverty level. The number of persons below the poverty level is the sum of the number of persons in families with incomes below the poverty level and the number of unrelated individuals with incomes below the poverty level.

The poverty thresholds are revised annually to allow for changes in the cost of living as reflected in the Consumer Price Index. The average poverty threshold for a family of four persons was $7,412 in 1979. (See table at end of appendix.)

Poverty thresholds are computed on a national basis only. No attempt has been made to adjust these thresholds for regional, State, or local variations in the cost of living. For a detailed discussion of the poverty definition, see U.S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-60, No. 133, *Characteristics of the Population Below the Poverty Level: 1980.*

There may be slight differences between the data in this report on poverty status in 1979 and similar data shown in the *Summary Characteristics for Governmental Units and Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas,* PHC80-3, reports and in the Supplementary Reports, *Advance Estimates of Social, Economic, and Housing Characteristics,* PHC80-S2. Any such differences are a result of errors in the income data which were corrected after the release of the PHC80-3 and the PHC80-S2 reports.

Persons for Whom Poverty Status is Determined—Poverty status is determined for all persons except inmates of institutions, persons in military group quarters and in college dormitories, and unrelated individuals under 15 years old. When the line, "Persons for whom poverty status is determined," appears under the heading, "All Income Levels in 1979," it shows the total population minus persons in the four groups listed above. When the same line appears under the heading, "Income in 1979 Below Poverty Level," it shows the number of such persons who are classified as being below the poverty level. In tables that contain only poverty data, the above exclusions are stated in the headnote and the word "persons" is used in place of "persons for whom poverty status is determined."

Specified Poverty Levels—Because the poverty levels currently in use by the Federal Government do not meet all the needs of data users, some of the data are presented for alternate levels ranging from 75 percent to 200 percent of the current poverty level. These spe
poverty levels are obtained by
plying the income cutoffs at the po
level by the appropriate factor.
example, the average income cuto
125 percent of poverty level was $
($7,412 x 1.25) in 1979 for a fam
four persons.

**Weighted Average Thresholds at
Poverty Level**—The average thres
shown in the first column of the
were weighted by the presence and
ber of children. For example,
weighted average threshold for a
family size is obtained by multiplying
threshold for each presence and nur
of children category within the g
family size by the number of famili
that category. These products are
aggregated across the entire range
presence and number of children c
gories, and the aggregate is divided by
total number of families in the grou
yield the weighted average threshol
the poverty level for that family size.

Since the basic thresholds used
determine the poverty status of fam
and unrelated individuals are applied
all families and unrelated individuals,
weighted average poverty thresholds
derived using all families and unrela
individuals rather than just those cla
fied as being below the poverty level.
obtain the weighted poverty thresh
for families and unrelated individ
below alternate poverty levels,
weighted thresholds shown in the t
may be multiplied directly by the ap
priate factor. The weighted average th
holds presented in the table are based
the March 1980 Current Popula
Survey. However, it is felt that th
thresholds would not differ significa
from those based on the 1980 census.

Income Deficit—Income deficit is
difference between the total income
families and unrelated individuals be
the poverty level and their respec
poverty thresholds. In computing
income deficit, families reporting a
income loss are assigned zero dollars
for such cases the deficit is equal to
poverty threshold. This measure prov
an estimate of the amount which wo
be required to raise the incomes of
poor families and unrelated individual
their respective poverty thresholds.
income deficit is thus a measure of
degree of impoverishment of a famil

related individual. However, caution ...st be exercised in comparing the ...age deficits of families with different ...racteristics. Apparent differences in ...rage income deficits may, to some ...tent, be a function of differences in ...ily size.

...an Income Deficit—The mean income ...ficit is the amount obtained by dividing ... total income deficit of a group below ... poverty level by the number of ...ilies (or unrelated individuals) in that ...oup.

...mparability With Earlier ...nsus Data

... poverty definition used in the 1980 ...nsus differs slightly from the one used ... the 1970 census. Three technical modi...ations were made to the definition ...ed in the 1970 census as described ...low:

- The separate thresholds for families with a female householder with no husband present and all other families were eliminated. For the 1980 census, the weighted average of the poverty thresholds for these two types of families were applied to all types of families, regardless of the sex of the householder.
- Farm families and farm unrelated individuals no longer have a set of poverty thresholds that are lower than the thresholds applied to nonfarm families and unrelated individuals. Instead, the nonfarm thresholds were applied to all families and unrelated individuals regardless of residence.

3. The thresholds by size of family were extended from seven or more persons to nine or more persons.

These changes result in a minimal increase in the number of poor at the national level. For a complete discussion of these modifications and their impact, see Current Population Reports, Series P-60, No. 133.

The population covered in the poverty statistics derived from the 1980 census is essentially the same as in the 1970 census. The only difference is that in 1980, unrelated individuals under 15 years old were excluded from the poverty universe, while in 1970, only those under 14 years old were excluded. The poverty data from the 1980 census exclude all persons in group quarters and include all unrelated individuals regardless of age. It is unlikely that these differences in population coverage would have a significant impact when comparing the poverty data for persons from the 1980, 1970, and 1960 censuses.

Limitations

The term "Poverty" connotes a complex set of economic, social, and psychological conditions. The statistics presented in this report provide only estimates of economic poverty based on the receipt of money income before taxes. Readers should also be aware that for many different reasons there is a tendency for respondents to underreport their income. Overall, income earned from wages or salary is more accurately reported than other sources of income. (For a complete discussion of the limitations of the income data, see the section on "Income in 1979.")

It should be pointed out that nonmoney income is not considered in determining poverty status. In recent years, however, receipts from nonmoney transfers such as food stamps, housing subsidies, and health benefits have become an increasingly important element in the income of poor persons. For further information on the subject of valuing noncash benefits, see U.S. Bureau of the Census, Technical Paper 50, *Alternative Methods for Valuing Selected In-Kind Transfer Benefits and Measuring Their Effect on Poverty*. For a complete discussion of the limitations of the poverty concept, see Current Population Reports, Series P-60, No. 133.

...resholds at the Poverty Level in 1979 by Size of Family and Number of Related Children Under 18 Years

(Figures in dollars. For meaning of symbols, see Introduction)

...e of Family Unit	Weighted average thresholds	Related children under 18 years								
		None	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 or more
...person (unrelated individual)	3,686	3,686	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Under 65 years	3,774	3,774	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
65 years and over	3,479	3,479	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...persons	4,723	4,723	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Householder under 65 years	4,876	4,858	5,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Householder 65 years and over	4,389	4,385	4,981	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...persons	5,787	5,674	5,839	5,844	...	...	...	...	...	...
...persons	7,412	7,482	7,605	7,356	7,382	...	...	...	...	...
...persons	8,776	9,023	9,154	8,874	8,657	8,525	...	...	...	...
...persons	9,915	10,378	10,419	10,205	9,999	9,693	9,512	...	...	...
...persons	11,237	11,941	12,016	11,759	11,580	11,246	10,857	10,429	...	...
...persons	12,484	13,356	13,473	13,231	13,018	12,717	12,334	11,936	11,835	...
...or more persons	14,812	16,066	16,144	15,929	15,749	15,453	15,046	14,677	14,586	14,024

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population, General Social and Economic Characteristics, Appendix B.